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The P. C. Editor Says:

We have been debating in our mind whether or not to print the names of merchants and business men who didn't give a damn whether their customers had a Merry Christmas or not.

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We read with embarrassment a paragraph in The Standard where pussycat is spelled with a "b" instead of a "p". We thought everybody knew you spelled pussy with a "p" but the linetype operator says he must have touched the wrong key as he knew how to spell so simple a word as that.

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There are a great number of Santa Claus' in Sikeston, some old and some young. One of the older brand came into The Standard office Tuesday morning very much excited about the paragraph in the Polecat Column stating that Santa Claus was getting steamed up to attend the wants of children as he crossed the Legion Park to Joyners Thirst Parlor to wet his whistle. He acknowledged there were more than one Santa Claus but he was the one who crossed the Park seeking the toilet at Joyners instead of quaffing a schooner of beer. So that's that again.

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Hawaiian Belle: "That artist wanted to paint my bust. Are the colors hard to get off?"

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Shelly Hudson who has been operating a lunch and barbecue stand at the Cross Roads is back at the old stand, the corner of East Malone and Prairie where he is prepared to serve the barbecues as he alone knows how to prepare.

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The last week before Christmas finds The Standard pages chock full of advertisements of every sort. The Tuesday issue carried 1318 inches and the issue of today will not be far behind. To those who have honored The Standard with their patronage we are truly grateful and those who have not, they are the losers. However, we extend the seasons greetings to all.

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Things look mighty bright for the editor as already he has received a fruit cake from a noted cook living in Jefferson City, a box of homemade candy from a very sweet young lady in Sikeston and a pretty white shirt from a Sikeston merchant friend. And Santa Claus still to come.

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Swaying on a cornstalk were a little girl ear and a little boy ear. The little girl ear of corn feared the worst as the breeze bent the little boy ear toward her, so she determined to keep awake day and night. But at last weariness overcame her and she slept. Waking, she found herself in a bag with many other ears of corn. "Oh, oh," she sobbed. "I've been reaped."

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Seedless Watermelon Shown at Lansing, Mich.

East Lansing, Mich., Dec. 19.—The Michigan State College exhibited today a seedless watermelon developed by Cheong-Yin Wong, a 27-year-old Chinese graduate student who, college authorities said had succeeded where other researchers had failed.

Wong explained that elimination of the seeds was accomplished by the use of growth-promoting hormones in dilute acids. He bagged the plant blossom to prevent accidental pollination, then removed the male portion of the flower. The female portion then was treated with chemical stimulants.

He said the flavor was unimtimes take on a pear-like shape. paired, although the melons some-His experiments were made with Michigan melons, which average about eight pounds and are somewhat smaller than Southern melons.

Married at Christian Church

M. D. Northrop of Hot Springs, Ark., and Miss Evelyn Mott of Bloomington, Ill., were united in marriage at the Christian Church here Monday, December 19, by the Rev. Mr. R. S. Rains, pastor of the church. Byron Northrop, brother of the groom, and Mrs. Susie Walden of Sikeston witnessed the ceremony.

The couple left immediately following the ceremony for Hot Springs where they will make their home.

Mrs. Lizzie Ferrell will leave today (Friday) for Clayton, Mo., where she will spend the Christmas holidays with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Johnson. She expects to return home Tuesday.

Miss Venita Boight of New Orleans, La. was the guest of Charles Leonard Kirk in the home of his parents, on North Kingshighway, from Friday until Wednesday. Last Saturday Miss Boight and Charles Leonard Kirk drove to St. Louis to attend the wedding of a relative of Miss Boight.

LaForge Project Dedicated

Zimmerman, Baasch, Regional Head Speak; Tour and Play Held

With an injunction to the farm families to co-operate in the future so that their project will be a grand success, Congressman Orville Zimmerman formally dedicated the La Forge resettlement project Tuesday afternoon in a speech about the government and its connection with the people on the land.

The Kennett man declared the property at La Forge, with its self-liquidating plan, would not cost the government anything.

Farmers on the 6700 tract, officials of the Farm Security Administration, office-holders of this district and citizens of the area attended the program, held in the newly erected blacksmith shop at the rear of the co-operative store. A stage had been erected and seats installed for the event.

Hans Baasch, community manager, who introducted the speakers, presided. He gave some of the details about the progress of the project since its inception, as did R. C. Smith, regional director of the Farm Security Administration at Indianapolis, Ind.

The afternoon program was part of a full day's activities commemorating the first anniversary of the purchase of most of the land and given over to the dedication. In the morning guests were conducted on a tour. At night a program by the farm people themselves, depicting the steps toward housing them in their new units, was presented.

Congressman Zimmerman told of the action of the government in taking care of farming people.

"This is the beginning of an experiment that will go a long way toward solving the social and economic problems of this country," he said.

"It is my observation and honest belief that no man occupying the White House has had a deeper welfare and concern for the common man than Franklin D. Roosevelt."

The Congressman related how, when Roosevelt became president, the condition of the farmer was distressing. The AAA and its subsequent law were created to adjust agricultural conditions. At the same time, he said, crop reduction meant less work on the farm. To take care of the people thrown out of work, Roosevelt and Congress devised the resettlement program.

Mr. Zimmerman praised the co-operative association and its idea of having the people pull together. "You've just started from here. It's from here on that counts."

He said he hoped to see the project grow to include 300 or 400 families.

"I assure you I shall vote for appropriations to put people on land so they can work out their own salvation."

Mr. Smith declared Mr. Baasch and his helpers had an enormous task, with so many things to be accomplished at once. When the project got under way, he said, it was finished by July 1 instead of Sept. 1, as was originally planned. The project was created, he told the farmers, because Congress, the President, the engineers of the Department of Agriculture and their associates had confidence in the people.

Important dates in the transaction to buy the land and in the construction and occupying of units were given by Mr. Baasch.

The acceptance speech of the dedication was made by Carl E. Puckett, one of the 100 farmers on the project, who is president of the La Forge Co-operative Association.

"We want you to know that we're also interested in other people not so fortunate, and their needs, and hope that they can be taken care of too. We know this is not free, here, and we expect to pay out our debt."

A choir, composed of negroes on the project, rendered "I Shall Not Be Moved."

In the morning Mr. Baasch conducted about 20 persons around the project on a tour. One of the new homes and barn units was inspected, as was the co-operative gin, the co-operative stock service and other features of the resettlement. Bill Baker, farm adviser, explained the farm plan of the project.

At noon a luncheon for visitors was prepared chiefly from home produce grown on the land.

Among those at the gathering, besides the speakers, were M. E. Hayes, chairman of the community co-operative service of the FSA at Indianapolis; Capt. E. H. Crouch of Milwaukee, district engineer in charge of planning and building; M. S. Layton of Indianapolis, resident enginer at La Forge during the building; B. G. Beck of Indianapolis, assistant regional director; Miss Marion Neprude, regional adviser on home economics; Judge X. Caverno of Canalou, Thad Snow of Charleston, Capt. R. G. Johnston of the New Madrid CCC Camp, and Milus R. Davis, New Madrid County superintendent of schools.



Contentment

An Elevating Thought for the Depressed
By Albert Pike.

"God hath appointed one remedy for all the evils in the world; and that is a contented spirit. We may be reconciled to proverty and a low fortune, if we suffer contentedness and equanimity to make the proportions. No man is poor who doth not think himself so; but if, in a full fortune, with impatience he desires more, he proclaims his wants and his beggardly condition. This virtue of contentedness was the sum of all the old moral philosophy, and is of most universal use in the whole course of our lives, and the only instrument to ease the burdens of the world and the enmities of sad chances. It is the great reasonableness of complying with the Divine Providence, which governs all the world, and hath so ordered us in the administration of His great family. It is fit that God should dispense His gifts as He pleases; and if we murmur here, we may, at the next melancholy, be troubled that He did not make us to be angels or stars.

"We ourselves make our fortunes good or bad; and when God lets loose a Tyrant upon us, or a sickness, or scorn, or a lessened fortune, if we fear to die, or know not how to be patient, or are proud, or covetous, then the calamity sits heavy on us. But if we know how to manage a noble principle, and fear not death so much as a dishonest action, and think impatience a worse evil than a fever, and pride to be the greatest disgrace as well as the greatest folly, and poverty far preferable to the torments of avarice, we may still bear an even mind and smile at the reverses of fortune and the ill-nature of Fate.

"If thou hast lost thy land, do not also lose thy constancy; and if thou must die sooner than others, or than thou didst expect, yet do not die impatiently. For no chance is evil to him who is content, and to a man nothing is miserable unless it be unreasonable. No man can make another man to be his slave, unless that other hath first enslaved himself to life and death, to pleasure or pain, to hope or fear; command these passions, and you are freer than the Parthian Kings."

Summary Gives Rise Of LaForge Project

Complete Picture of Enterprise Shows Financial and Other Main Details

A complete summary of the La Forge project, given out at the dedication Tuesday, gives the story of the resettlement:

PURPOSE OF PROJECT

The purpose of the project is to make available, by the use of government credit, an opportunity for the 100 farm families living on the land at the time it was purchased to attain a higher standard of living with better housing, more adequate health facilities, plenty of home-produced food and an opportunity to attain economic and social security for the future.

GOVERNMENT EXPENS

The government's investment at La Forge is approximately $700,000. This is secured by ownership of 6700 acres of land, houses, farm buildings, fences, a cotton gin, store building, and warehouse. It also represents operating goods loans to 100 individuals, averaging $1200 each, secured by chattel mortgages on livestock, machinery, feed and seed. It further provided operating capital loaned the La Forge co-operative Association for the operation of the gin, store, sire program, marketing, certified seed, blacksmith shop, covered by an assignment of income and mortgages.

LAND DIVISION

The land is divided into 100 farms operated by the 100 families who were living on the land when it was purchased by the government. The farms range from 50 to 80 acres.

RENTAL BASIS

One-fourth of cotton crop, to pay toward loan to set up farming, plus cash payment on rent of land, is paid by the farmer. The rent is $50 per year. It is estimated the farms can pay off the investment in 33 years.

CONSTRUCTION

Wherever practical, buildings were repaired. Most of the shacks, however, were unfit for human habitation. New construction by mass production methods furnished a five-room house with three bedrooms, a barn, a well, fences, food storage, and a sanitary toilet at a cost of under $2000 per farm unit.

Local labor was employed on construction, working 156,184 man-hours and receiving $83,529 in wages. Except for technical supervision, all laborers were certified from the U. S. Employment Office. The money paid in wages was spent primarily in the community.

CO-OPERATIVE ACTIVITY

The homesteaders standardized their cotton program by planting only one variety. By careful picking and proper ginning, they secured a premium of from $1.50 to $11.50 per bale on Commodity Credit loans on 95 per cent of the crop.

Through co-operative ownership and the use of equipment, homesteaders have saved approximately $400 each in required capital investment of an individual farmer.

The co-operative use of sires is improving the quality of livestock. The cotton gin is paying dividends in quality, service and product. The co-operative store is operated as a service institution for the benefit of its members.

FARM PROGRAM

Homesteaders are following a soil conservation program which is reducing the cotton acreage by about 50 per cent and is increasing diversified land use. The increase of 1000 per cent in legume acreage is especially noteworthy.

Some changes made the first year are:

	Before	Now
Cotton	3,500 a.	1,725 a.
Corn	1,500 a.	1,500 a.
Wheat	475 a.	90 a.
Hay & Legumes	200 a.	2,103 a.

LIVING AT HOME

Each family has an adequte garden for fresh vegetables, and 50,000 quarts of garden produce were canned this season for winter use. Homesteaders have increased the number of subsistence livestock, milk cows, hogs, and chickens.

Some changes made the first year are:

	Before	Now
Gardens	11 a.	60 a.
Idle roads, pasture	1,069 a.	1,272 a.
Milk cows	40	115
Hogs	60	350
Chickens	600	1,500
Mules	80	200

Needed Pension Changes Outlined

Springfield, Mo., Dec. 20.—George Haworth, State Social Security Administrator, urged last night that the next Legislature change the Social Security Laws so that:

1. Old age benefits be based on need, with aid from relatives considered in passing on eligibility.

2. Permission for an elderly person removed from the rolls to appeal to the Circuit Court be abolished, giving the Social Security Commission final word on whether an aged person shall receive a pension.

Unless these changes are made by the Legislature within 90 days after the first of the year the Federal Government will withdraw aid, he stated.

NEW ENGINEER



FRED D. HARRIS

Who will begin the New Year as Division Engineer for the State Highway Department at Sikeston. Mr. Harris, who entered the employ of the Department at Springfield fifteen years ago, has for a number of years been assistant to Rex M. Whitton, Chief Maintenance Engineer.

Held for Bad Checks

Man Taken Here Has Clippings Telling of Many Escapades

A plump, well-dressed man with the appearance of a salesman, who carried three newspaper clippings about arrests of Jay Tripp, 56, on forgery and bad check charges, was nabbed at the Highway intersection Tuesday evening by State Trooper Melvin Dace and lodged in the city jail pending further check charges.

The Sikeston patrolman arrested Tripp on information from Trooper Cletis Bidewell of Hayti, who said the man was wanted for cashing around $150 in worthless checks at Hayti, Caruthersville, and Portageville.

Living with Tripp at a local tourist cabin was a 19-year-old girl of Shreveport, La., who said she had been with him for four years. She was using an assumed name, officers said. She was taken to the Benton jail for further investigation. Tripp at first said the girl was his niece.

The Patrol said Tripp acted as a collecting agent for old store accounts and bankruptcy accounts, buying them and making what cash he could on collecting them. He had been working territory around Bertrand, using a hired car for his collections, at the time of his arrest here.

The Patrol said Tripp around Hayti allegedly sought the services of some law officer in making collections. With the impression made by the company of the officer, he paid his way in checks which had not funds back of them

Clippings carried by Tripp told a story of check manipulations and of a prison record. One, from a Springfield, Mo., newspaper, told of his arrest for passing bad checks at Mansfield and Fordland, Mo. One paragraph read, "The plump, well-groomed fellow who says he travels for bonding houses and does things like locating lost cars and people, told officers "a check I thought was perfectly good the payment was stopped on made all my checks bad." This was the statement he made here, the Patrol said.

One clipping carried by the man gave ready information to officers about his record. It said Department of Justice files listed him as having issued $700 in bad checks at Springfield, that he was sentenced in Kansas to one to seven years on a forgery charge, was arrested in 1931 on a check charge in Tulsa, Okla., and on the same count in Monroe, La., the following year. It is not known how much time he served on the charges.

The Patrol said he had a large stack of unopened letters from people demending bills he owed them.

Tripp had been around Sikeston four or five days.

He was to be taken to the Pemiscot County jail at Caruthersville to answer charges from Hayti and Caruthersville.

Station Robbery Nets $24

Attendant at Success Oil Co. Slugged as Gunman Departs

A lone gunman whose accomplice waited in a car at a distance held up and robbed the Success Oil Co. station at the west edge of the city on Highway 60 late Tuesday night and escaped with $24 and change after slugging the attendant, Marion Baker, 24 years old.

Baker was not seriously hurt and was only dazed by the blow, which, however, inflicted a deep gash.

Baker told the State Patrol a dark complected man about 32 years old, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighing about 140 pounds, wearing a grey felt hat and tan topcoat entered the state about 11:45 p. m. Tuesday and asked for road information.

He then pulled forth a black, .38 pistol and ordered the attendant to surrender the money. He obtained the $24 and change from a cash drawer.

At about the same time, Baker related, another man, whose description was not ascertained, drove up in front of the station in a 1937 tudor Ford.

The gunman inside of the station forced the attendant into the washroom and before closing the door behind him hit him at the base of the ear with the gun.

Baker was dazed and nearly unconscious for about a minute but heard the car drive away to the west.

The Patrol was notified and a search launched, but no one reported seeing the fleeing bandits. The license number of the car was not obtained.

Baker lives on East Matthews.

This is the first holdup in Sikeston in several months.

3 in Auto Into Custody

Canadian Car Not Registered Properly, Patrol Declares

Henry Lee Turner, 46, alias Leo Douglas, of Toronto, Ontario, Canada, is being held at the Benton jail while an inquiry is being made into the ownership of a 1938 Dodge sedan which bears an Ontario license.

Turner, arrested by State Trooper Melvin Dace at the highway intersection Tuesday afternoon, had used a fictitious name—Douglas—and a false motor number on the passport he obtained for traveling through the United States.

With Turner were Ira Rhodes, 32, and his wife, Gertrude Rhodes, 27, of Fort Smith, Ark. Rhodes, like a traveling man arrested the same day by the trooper, carried clippings from newspapers about his past. One stated he was out on bond at Ft. Smith on counterfeiting charges. Rhodes admitted this, and said he served a term in a Texas penitentiary for a white slave conviction. The couple likewise was held.

An inquiry on the car ownership was sent out.

AUXILIARY HOLD MEMORIAL SERVICE

At the regular meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary held at the home of Mrs. Loomis Mayfield Tuesday evening, a memorial service was held for the late Mrs. E. J. Malone who passed away two weeks ago. Mrs. Malone was a Charter member of the Auxiliary and was beloved by all members.

At the business meeting plans were completed for getting the Christmas baskets ready for the needy veterans families for distribution Saturday morning.

Mrs. Loomis Mayfield is welfare chairman and with the assistance of five other members are assembling the food and toys.

A social hour was enjoyed at the conclusion of the business meeting and the next meeting will be held January 3, 1939.

Mrs. Gene Hirshberg assisted Mrs. Mayfield at the meeting Tuesday evening.

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SYNOPSIS: *"Colonel" Anthony Carleton, an aging actor, "Marmy" Carleton and their children, Richard and George-Anne had been asked to leave the Villa Jennings on the Italian Riviera, because the colonel had been shown up as a card sharp. It wasn't the first time the Carletons had been thrown out of the best places — they were a family of gold-plated panhandlers, who accepted no handouts that did not include caviar and champagne. George-Anne even spurned Duncan MacCrae as a suitor because she didn't think he was rich enough.*

Chapter Two

The Carletons spent the night at the railway station. The Sahib knew he couldn't cash his check, and they had no money to buy breakfast.

As they waited for the train, Marmy and the Sahib reminded each other of old stage days when the Sahib played a colonel of Bengal Lancers and developed his army officer complex. Finally they joined in their old song, "Algy, the Picadilly Johnny," and this so disgusted the children they walked away and left the old folks to their memories.

Richard and George-Anne discussed their status of society hoboes, always getting tossed out of the best places. The prospect was not attractive.

"The workings of the Sahib's mind are a deep, dark mystery," said George-Anne. "Three million dollars tossed away — and he wants to sing. And we nearly had it, too — but no, he had to have that measly forty-five hundred."

"And get us in a jam, besides."

"Did you say good-bye to Adela?"

"Saying good-bye to three millions was all the good-byes I could stand. By the way, didn't I see you with a new ring last night? We might swap it, on the train, for a couple of lamb chops."

"That ring wasn't mine — I just borrowed it for the evening. And, oh, Rick, I didn't say good-bye myself!"

"Don't tell me you're in love with that Scotchman!" exclaimed Richard.

"How could I be? He hasn't any money."

When the train came along, the four Carletons scrambled aboard, not noticing what other passengers got on, and not caring much.

In their second-class compartment, the family got hungrier and hungrier, as the kilometers clicked away.

"Insolent fellow, that restaurant chap," complained the Sahib. "Refused me three meals in one day."

George-Anne, walking along the corridor, noticed a sweet-faced old lady who smiled at her and invited her into the compartment.

"It's lonely at night, isn't it?" the little old lady remarked.

"I—I don't think I ever noticed."

"You're so young. When you're old, night comes too soon — always."

George-Anne started to leave, but the old lady chided her gently for running away.

"You seem troubled, my child."

"It's my mother," blurted George-Anne, giving the first reason for trouble that came to her mind. "She had to have an operation... She's so tired, and the train's so crowded. And there's no room for her to lie down. We couldn't — I mean, we're second class..."

The scheme worked. George-Anne and her family were invited to share the first-class apartment, and when they swarmed in, their hostess introduced herself.

"I'm a new friend," she said. "My name is Fortune. Miss Ellen Fortune. Yes, Miss Fortune. Everyone makes jokes about it; I do myself."

The Sahib expostulated: "Fine, historic name...Not a subject for jesting...Knew a fellow in my regiment. Excellent officer. Permit me to introduce my wife, ma'am, my daughter, my son, your servant, Colonel Anthony Carleton, late of the Bengal Lancers."

Then he wheezed terrifically, like a man who had been gassed in the war.

Marmy chattered on about the Sahib's gas casualties and the family's tribulations since she had to go to the Riviera after her "operation."

"If you could only force yourself to eat something, Marmy," George-Anne interrupted.

The Sahib offered to order dinner, and the family closed their eyes in suspense.

But Miss Fortune's sympathy was completely won. She insisted on ordering and the Carletons sighed with relief. They had landed on their feet again, and the feet were under a table.

Their luck didn't end with the dinner. Miss Fortune explained to them she had recently come into enough money to allow her to do anything she really wanted. They listened with larceny in their eyes, but even as they listened, the train jumped the track.

When the shock of the derailment was over, Richard saw Miss Fortune stretched out, peacefully relaxed.

"She's dead," he grumbled. "Isn't that just our beastly luck?"

George-Anne bent over her.

"Rick! She isn't dead. Have you forgotten her big house in London? And enough money to do anything she wants? We've got to save her — quick!"

So George-Anne held Miss Fortune in her arms, and was tucking a coat around her, when who should appear but Duncan MacCrae! He had boarded the train when he heard the Carletons had been banished from Villa Jennings.

"You're being vurry good to the old lady," said Duncan.

"I'm not! I'm only trying to keep her warm. Besides, I'm up to no good, and you're interfering. Get out and leave me alone!"

So Duncan walked away, and George-Anne watched him go with the mingled emotions of a racketeer and a girl in love.

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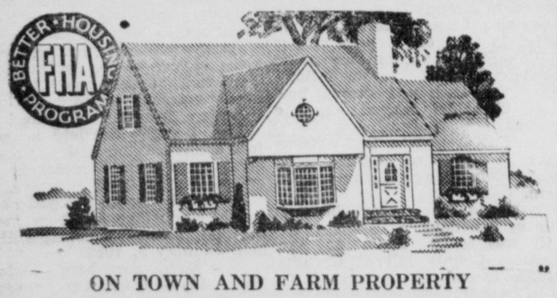


George-Anne was tucking a coat around her.

Revenue freight handled by American railroads in the week ending December 3 totaled 649,086 cars, an increase of 87,002 cars, or 15.5 per cent, over the preceding week, the Association of American Railroads announces. The total also is 28,761 cars, or 4.6 per cent, more than for the same week last year.

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YOUTH LOOKS AT CHRISTMAS

As youth looks at Christmas today he first examines closely the teachings of Jesus to try to find out just exactly what Jesus really taught. Youth remembers that Jesus was a young man when he preached in the little country of Palestine and that when He was crucified He was only thirty-three years of age.

The utter fearlessness of Jesus makes a deep impression upon every young person, for there is nothing that he admires more than courage. Jesus was not afraid to go against the customs of His day if He thought they were wrong or useless. He did not drift with the current. He took a decided stand against a religious system that was blighted by ceremonialism. He condemned sin in high places.

JESUS WAS FEARLESS

Jesus offended the religious leaders of His day, because He did not follow the traditions of the elders. He denounced the hypocrisy of the Pharisees and incurred their bitter hatred. He drove the buyers and sellers out of the temple and cried, "My house shall be called a house of prayer. Ye make it a den of robbers."

Youth admires Jesus because He was uncompromising and fearless. It can truly be said of Jesus as it was said of another: "He would not hesitate, he would not equivocate, he would not retreat a single inch, and he would be heard." He walked straight toward the cross when compromise or mere silence would have saved Him.

It is true that Jesus went about doing good. But men are not crucified for deeds of mercy. It is when they dare to take a stand for righteousness and speak out against oppression that they are made to feel the fury of the powerful and the wrath of those who enjoy special privileges.

DEEDS OF MERCY

When youth looks at the religion of Jesus he will find that Jesus insisted that true religion is based on spiritual and not on ceremonial conditions. Jesus broke the laws of the Sabbath in order to render deeds of mercy. He did not fast according to the rules of the Jews. He did not accept the orthodox attitude towards the Samaritans, but treated them as brothers while no orthodox Rabbi would even step on Samaritan soil.

The outstanding characteristic of Jesus was not His meekness and mildness, but it was rather his courage and fearlessness. These same virtues characterized the early Christians, for in the Acts we read, "Now when they beheld the boldness of Peter and John, they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus."

JESUS STOOD AGAINST OPPRESSION

Jesus showed His indignation against those who oppressed the poor and the underprivileged. But His anger was never selfish. He hated evil because He loved the people whom evil was ruining. He was not angry at those who insulted or mocked Him, or even against those who crucified Him, but He did become extremely indignant against those who took advantage of the piety of the people or stole from the helpless.

We can well imagine what Jesus would do today if He were here to see little helpless children working in factories and mines in order that men might grow rich on their labor. Or if He would see the poor struggling for bread and then see men keep the price of food high in order to increase their profits. Or the millions of underprivileged who go to their death scarred in body and sould, while the rich enjoy their opportunities without lifting a finger to help the unfortunates.

Jesus thundered out against oppression in His day. The church must do the same today.



E. B. HEATON
Chicago, Illinois
Member Executive Committee,
Member General Executive Board.

Prosperity Notes

(Compiled by Dwight H. Brown, Secretary of State).

November production of American industry rose above the 1923-1925 average which the Federal Reserve Board considers as normal, the board's monthly bulletin reveals. The November figure is approximately 25 points above last May's recession low, and compares with 96 per cent of normal in October, this year, and an average of 77 per cent for the second quarter of 1938.

With 171,000 family dwelling constructed in the thirty-seven states east of the Rocky Mountains, 138 is declared by builders to have set a new high in that activity for any year since 1929. The total represents a 10 per cent increase over last year, and is approximately five times the 1934 figure, low mark of recent building activity.

Construction waards in the thirty-seven Eastern states last month totaled $301,679,000, highest of any November since 1929, F. W. Dodge Corporation reports. This represents an increase of 52 per cent over November, 1937. The total for the first eleven months this year is $2,807,489,000, as compared with $2,703,609,000 for the corresponding period last year.

That foreclosures on non-farm homes in October dropped to the lowest total since 1933 indicates that the American home buyer is "paying his way out", comments the Federal Home Loan Bank Board. The Ooctober total was more than 20 per cent under that of the same month last year and 8.4 per cent less than the September figure, while the total for the first ten months this year is 30,000 cases, or 23 per cent, less than for the corresponding 1937 period.

—Dr. Drace, eye, ear, nose and throat specialist in Sikeston every Thursday. Glasses fitted. tf

R. D. CLAYTON
The Mule Man

Just received two loads of big two and three year old mules from Iowa. They are just as good as grown.

For Sale or Trade. No better security for the farmer than young mules.

LAST-MINUTE SUGGESTIONS

From Sikeston's Dominant Ready-to-Wear Store

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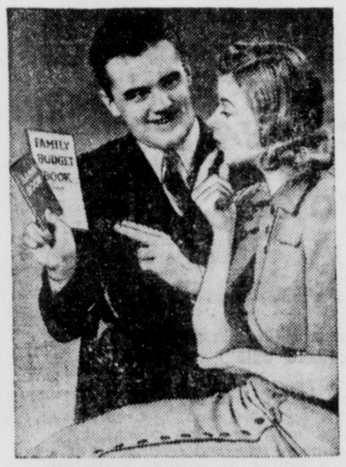
1—Not Recommended. When your wife gave you a horrible-looking tie last Christmas, we hope you didn't turn the poor lady over your knee and yell: "Never buy me a necktie again!"



2—Recommended. Gently point out that your ties should be picked to harmonize with your shirts. Tell her that *Arrow* is one of the few firms that make both ties and shirts, and plans them to go together!



3—Teach her the crumple-test . . . turn back the tip of the tie, crumple the end of the wool lining into a small ball. If the tie has the proper lining (as do Arrows), it will spring back into shape.

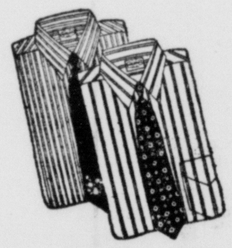


4—And advise her that for the humble sum of $1 or $1.50 . . . she can visit us and get a tie styled by America's foremost men's fashion authority. And she can economically buy these swell Arrows not only for you but for *all* the nice men on her Christmas gift list.



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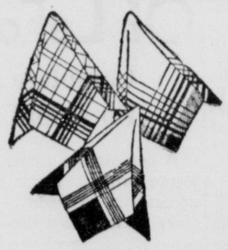


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Pictorial History of Baseball



PRESIDENT WILLIAM HARRIDGE looks over a print of the new American League sound motion picture, "First Century of Baseball," following the world premiere in New York. With him are Lew Fonseca (left), director of promotion for the league, who wrote and supervised the film, and William S. McLean, director of advertising for the Fisher Body division of General Motors, whose firm produced and will distribute it without charge next year in celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the national pastime.

New Madrid CCC Camp Happenings

CCC DRAINAGE WORK BASIS FOR PAPER TO ENGINEERING SOCIETY

Illustrations from hydraulic studies made on flat land in Southeast Missouri were used by John G. Sutton, District Engineer for the U. S. Bureau of Agricultural Engineering, in his technical paper entitled "Hydraulics of Open Ditches," delivered before the American Society of Agricultural Engineers at a meeting held in Chicago on Dec. 2. Studies of the rate and amount of run-off from flat lands resulting from various intensities of rainfall have been made by the three CCC Drainage Camps in Southeast Missouri, located at Delta, New Madrid and Hayti, as part of their camp work and research programs.

In his paper, Mr. Sutton stated that "the design of open ditches for flat land drainage cannot be approached arbitrarily as an exact science and that research data is limited. In considering the hydraulics there are many variables, some of which are local in character and require a study of the individual problems under consideration." Along this same idea he later said: "On flat lands the maxiumum rate of run-off depends upon the size of artificial drains, culverts, tiles, openings through bridges, constructions such as railroad and road fills, and other works and topography which influence the rate of run-off and storage."

Mr. Sutton went on to discuss the run-off characteristics of a watershed in the work area of the Delta Camp and presented some curves proposed for use in designing drainage works. In concluding, he urged the necessity for additional research work, particularly on small watersheds.

ENROLLEES GRADUATE FROM EIGHTH GRADE

Eight grade graduation exercises were held for 14 enrollees at the New Madrid CCC Drainage Camp on Wednesday, Dec. 14. These boys had not the opportunity to complete this schooling until they became members of the Civilian Conservation Corps. The educational program of the camp is called "School of the Swamps" and is under the direction of Educational Adviser Rufus Crews, ably assisted by instructors draft-teachers. All the supervisory staff of the camp and by two WPA teachers. All th esupervisory staff, which in addition to Mr. Crews consists of two reserve officers and 10 employees of the U. S. Bureau of Agricultural Engineering, devote a certain portion of their leisure time each week toward enlarging the educational horizon of the boys entrusted to their care and guidance.

The exercises Wednesday night were conducted by Mr. Crews. Guest speakers of the evening were Lt. W. A. Randall, commanding officer of the Hayti CCC Drainage Camp who spoke on the subject "The Commanding Officer and Education," and W. W. Gibbany, WPA State Supervisor for Adult Education, of Jefferson City, whose subject was "Adult Education in the CCC." Lt. Randall complimented the instructors and personnel for having taken such interest in the boys' welfare and education, and reminded the graduates that their acquired wisdom would be of little value unless put to practical use. Throughout Mr. Gibbany's fine speech ran this theme: "Hardship and disappointment in one's life can be a help rather than a hindrance." He told how as a result of disappointment and financial depression, Van Dyke wrote "The Fourth Wise Man," one of America's greatest contemporary stories, relating it to the boys briefly and clearly.

This was the first time formal graduation exercises have been held at the camp, although at other times in the past a total of 14 boys have received eighth grade certificates for work completed in the camp school. The honor of formally presenting each boy with his well-earned certificate fell to Foreman Joseph V. Reilly. As each boy came forward to receive his diploma, Mr. Reilly gave a brief outline of his history and his place in the routine work of the camp.

Another graduation exercise will be held at the School of the Swamps in March. Mr. Crews was much elated at the success of Wednesday night's exercises and stated that he had planned for such a program ever since he started work at the camp over two years ago. He gave the credit for the fine work of the boys to the WPA instructors, Mrs. Camille Masterson and Mrs. Bess Maxey, who have charge of the elementary classes and who were special guests at the exercises.

Boys who were presented with diplomas by Mr. Reilly were: Douglas Stacks and Edward Harper, Bloomfield; Howard Duke, Fisk; Delbert Leon Guess, Broseley; Aden Ham, Rombauer; Avery Humphrey, Portageville; Raymond Horn, Poplar Bluff; Loren Reed Hardgrave, Crowder; Charles Kiefer, Kelso; Jesse Lee Neal, Avert; Orval Payton, Mingo; Eugene Pankey, Hornersville; Albert Reeves, Quilin; and Bertis Story, Painton.

ANGELS LOSE TO CHARLESTON

In a thriller that required two overtime periods, the Charleston Independents finally nosed out the New Madrid Swamp-Angels, 12 to 10, in the New Madrid High School gymnasium Tuesday night, December 13th. At the end of the regular game the score was deadlocked at 8-8. In the first extra period, Cletius Williams' field goal put the CCC boys temporarily in the lead, but with just a few seconds of the period left Charleston scored to knot the count again. A quick field goal at the start of the second overtime session by Jones, Charleston center, and strong defensive work by the visting five for the remainder of the game enabled them to hold their lead and gain the decision.

ANGELS DEFEAT FOUNTAINEERS

The Swamp-Angels of the New Madrid CCC Drainage Camp won their third game of the season Thursday night, December 15th, by nosing out the Sikeston Fountaineers, 22 to 19, in the New Madrid High School gymnasium. The score was close throughout the fast game and only a rally in the closing minutes enabled the Angels to win.

Eddie Council, diminutive guard for the CCC lads, was in top form, and scored ten of the Angels' twenty-two points. Eaton was the outstanding performer for the Fountaineers, scoring most of their points and acting as keyman in their fast-passing attack. Strong defense by Horner and Roberts contributed to the Angel triumph, as did the excellent floor work of Barney and Tope.

The Swamp-Angels of the New Madrid CCC Drainage Camp started their play for the basketball championship of the Southeast District of the Missouri CCC camps by invading the stronghold of the Hayti CCC Camp Tuesday night, December 20th. The game was supposed to have been played on a neutral court, but none could be obtained.

The clearing crew of the New Madrid CCC Drainage Camp has started clearing on Ditch 40 of the Little River Drainage District, preparatory to cleaning out of the ditch by dragline, contract for which was let some time ago by the district. This ditch is the first west of the Floodway and runs from Highway U. S. 60 to Highway U. S. 62.

Employees of the U. S. Bureau of Agricultural Engineering stationed at the New Madrid CCC Drainage Camp are taking advantage of the absence of most of the enrollees on Christmas leave to spend a few days leave themselves. Foreman and Mrs. Omer A. Kemp left Saturday, Dec. 17, for Fulton. He expects to return for work next Wednesday. Superintendent Fred R. Jacoby left Wednesday evening for St. Charles. Foreman J. V. Reilly will spend Saturday and Sunday with friends in Hayti. Mechanic Everett L. Conley will leave Friday evening for Carrollton, where he will remain with his family until December 27th. Other members of the supervisory staff will remain in New Madrid.

Woodrow Seagraves, Vanduser, formerly a member of CCC Co. 3729, was a visitor at the New Madrid CCC Drainage Camp Sunday, where he was looking up old friends.

J. T. House, one of the orderlies of the camp hospital at the New Madrid CCC Drainage Camp, returned Sunday from a week's leave spent at his home in Diehlstadt. He was accompanied on his return by his sister, Miss Josephine House, of Diehlstadt, and by Galen Ferrell of Bertrand.

'U. S. Suffering From High Blood Pressure'

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 19.—Asserting that the United States is "suffering from high blood pressure," Senator Pat Harrison (Dem.), Mississippi, said in an address here today that "too high taxes have been one of the controlling forces in checking the industrial advancement and natural development of the country."

Harrison spoke at a luncheon meeting of the Economic Club of Detroit.

"If these large expenditures for relief and other emergency purposes are reduced and more rigid economy employed," Harrison said, "then we can approach in the very near future the time when government receipts and expenditures will be balanced, and the day will be hastened when our national debt will be reduced."

Asserting that he "appreciated" the benefits of $18,000,000,000 spent during the last five years for relief, Senator Harrison said: "There are tens of thousands of our citizens whose rugged characters have been affected and whose views of life and government have been transformed. Many have come to feel that the government exists to support them and theirs."

May Keep Capone in Prison Until 1942

Chicago, Ill., December 19.—District Attorney William J. Campbell reported today the ravages of a brain disease made Al Capone such "a dangerous man" at times that he may be kept in prison until 1942 for treatment.

He disclosed the former overlord of the underworld was suffering from paresis, a malady marked by the progressive loss of mental and physical power.

Capone was "lucid" about three out of each four weeks, he said, but was irrational about one-fourth of the time.

Started a Club that has played Cupid to Thousands of People! Where Your Christmas Turkey came from! Two of the many interesting features appearing in the American Weekly, the magazine distributed with the Sunday Chicago Herald and Examiner.



LEGALS

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Whereas, George Lloyd, a single person, by this certain deed of trust dated the 2nd day of March, 1929, and recorded in the Recorder's Office of Scott County, Missouri, in Book 56, at page 622, for recording deeds of trust, conveyed to the undersigned, in trust, to secure the payment of the promissory note in said deed of trust described, the following described real estate situated in the county of Scott and State of Missouri, to-wit:

All of the original Government Survey No. 2207 containing 204.16 acres except 9.488 acres more or less belonging to the Levee District in said Survey, leaving 194-.672 acres more or less, with the further exception of railroad public roads, and ditch rights of way, if any, over and across said land; all being in township 29 North of Ranges 14 and 15 East of the Fifth Principal Meridian in Scott County, Missouri.

Whereas, default has been made in the payment of the interest and principal due on said note and the taxes due on said land and the same now remains due and unpaid;

Now, Therefore, the undersigned Trustee, at the request of the legal holder of said note, and in accordance with the provisions of said deed of trust, will, on,

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7th, 1939,

between the hours of 9: a. m. and 5: p. m. of that day, at the east front door of the court house in the town of Benton, County of Scott, and State of Missouri, sell the above described real estate, at public vendue, to the highest bidder for cash, for the purpose of satisfying the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, and for the cost of executing this trust.

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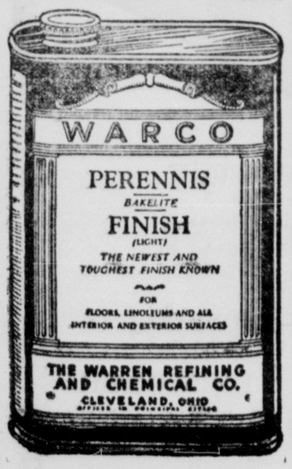
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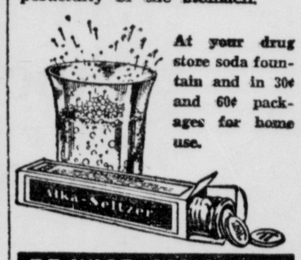
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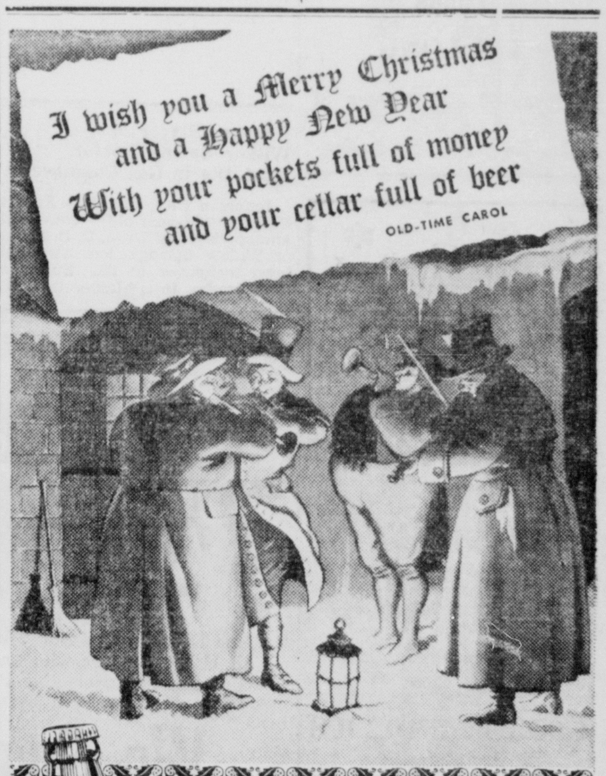
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Governor Lloyd C. Stark — The first traffic sign was the bright Star of Bethlehem making sure the wearying feet of the Three Wise Men would truly find the way to an obscure stable and the Infant Christ. Through the ages, other signs have pointed the safe way to mankind, even as today our State Highway Department by elaborate signalization makes roadways reasonably safe for the motorist who reads and heeds, just as did that wonderful Eastern Star point the safe and sure way to a lowly stable and the Savior of all Mankind.



Colonel Claude C. Earp, Chairman of the Missouri State Highway Commission — Signs and signals of the Highway Department are not at all statutory mandatory. In the main, they are meant to be informative, pointing hazards of the way to be avoided if the motorist has ambition to round out his days other than as a statistic. The roads are **yours,** the car is (we hope) **yours,** the signs are **yours** and your safety and that of **your** family and friends very largely is in **your own hands.**



C. W. Brown, Chief Engineer, Missouri State Highway Department— It may be human to err, but there is no reason why you should, with our highways very thoroughly signalized and reflectorized so that you may be warned of every hazard ahead of you. These signs are worded in plain English and they mean exactly what they say. The motorist who fails to be guided by them should lay no further claim to being a good driver.



Harry D. Griffith, Safety Engineer, Missouri State Highway Department —It is your welfare that the Safety Bureau worries about as it seeks to properly signalize every hazard of the highways for you! It is your welfare that means so much to your family circle of loved ones and to your friends everywhere. Christmas and the New Year will not mean much to them if you let yourself in for being a statistic in our office. Why not at least try to live to a ripe old age? Death is so permanent!



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Edward W. Gray, Vice-Chairman, Missouri State Highway Commission —It may be only one little word — such as STOP, for instance—but your failure to agree with us that it means you may lead to tragedy that will bring everlasting sorrow to the boy or girl you love so well, to the wife who shares your joy in them, the mother who introduced you to the sign language, faithful old dad, perchance a sweetheart! Of course, you have no desire so to do. You have a far better chance of preserving their happiness by driving the safe way. Why not try it?



H. G. Simpson, Member Missouri State Highway Commission — The person at the wheel of a car has a grave responsibility. The Highway Department seeks to share by properly signalizing roadways for him to travel in comparative safety. There's a reason for each sign being placed where it is and why it carries a definite suggestion to the motorist. Failure to profit thereby is merely flirting with hospital or morgue.



Robert B. Brooks, Member Missouri State Highway Commission — Motorists have not kept pace with the development of the cars they drive and we now have on our highways machines much more powerful than those who drive them. As speed increases, so also does the focal point of vision with the reult that the person who rolls merrily along toward hospital or morgue may be telling the truth when he sobs that he "didn't see" a warning road sign.

H. A. Bhehler, Member (ex officio) Missouri State Highway Commission — A locomotive engineer who failed to properly observe signals and right of way markings for his guidance wouldn't be permitted to finish his run. If a ditch failed to get him, officials would soon ground him and he would be barred from engines thereafter. When unfit motorists are prevented from menacing the lives of the great majority who do attempt to drive safely and sanely, our death and accident list will decline.



Kenyon, Slayer of Willow Spring Doctor, Must Die in Gas Chamber

Jefferson City, Dec. 20.—Robert Kenyon, 21-year-old convicted kidnap slayer of Dr. J. C. B. Davis of Willow Springs, lost his final legal maneuver in the Supreme Court today in a desperate fight to escape the lethal gas chamber.

Division Two of the court overruled his motion for a rehearing on the affirmation of his conviction last August. The Oregon County Circuit Court, where Kenyon was tried on a change of vneue, was directed to resentence the youth to death by asphyxiation instead of hanging.

The court also condemned John F. Williamson to the lethal gas chamber for the slaping of George Williams near his lonely cabin in the Ste. Genevieve County woods three years ago. It was Williamson's second appeal, his first conviction having been reversed. The court remanded his case to the circuit court and ordered he be formally sentenced to die in the gas tank at state's prison.

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Evening Worship at 7:30 p. m. at which time a Christmas pageant entitled "The Shepherd King", by F. W. Wolff, will be presented under the direction of Mrs. Jewell Allen.

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WE WISH ALL OF YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS
FROM HENINGTON PAINT AND TRIM SHOP—HIGHWAY 61 NORTH

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson Hayden of Cape Girardeau will spend Christmas Day with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Barrett plan to visit the former's mother in Doniphan over Christmas.



A MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR is the Wish of

WELTER'S BAKE SHOP

News Events From Sikeston Public Schools

The illuminated Christmas scenes on the study hall windows are the work of Miss Erley's eighth grade art class. Wortha Bishop and Berneice Chaney have arranged similar scenes in Miss McCord's home room.

The annual Red Pepper Christmas party was held Wednesday night in the gymnasium. Dancing was from eight to twelve, and it was entirely girl's tag.

The stop signs at the intersection of Tanner and Moore Streets were made by the Manual training department, under the supervision of Mr. Raymond Palm, and painted by the State Highway Department. The members of the mechanical drawing class have made their own Christmas cards, and several cedar chests and kneehold desks have been made for Christmas gifts. A class project is the building of a miniature model church. When it is completed, it will be placed over the neon sign at the Ellise Funeral Home.

Pupils of Miss Clymer's room have made gifts for their parents, including tie racks and candle holders.

SOUTH GRADE

The third and fourth grades enjoyed a moving picture Tuesday morning. The picture was entitled "Chita, The Indian Spy."

Miss Ragain's sixth grade Citizenship Club gave a Christmas luncheon Tuesday. The pupils planned the luncheon, decorated their table, and made their own place cards. Miss McCray and Mr. Stallings were invited, in addition to club members. Miss McCray sang for the group at the close of the luncheon.

Those in Miss Bateman's room who have had perfect attendance thus far for this year are: Norma Bailey, Billy Branum, Imogene Heacox, Billy Gene Hilton, William Porter, John Rodgers, and Wallace Taylor.

BAILEY SCHOOL

At the last P.-T. A. meeting Miss Miller's third room was awarded the prize. It is given to the room who has the most parents present and the teacher present also. The prize will be a book to be selected

In Miss Howard's second grade class the following pupils made the best Christmas booklets: Raymond Shainberg, Graham Sadler, Freta Campbell, Billy Ray Pratt, Billy Northington, Bobby Gaston.

ANXIOUS TO HEAR THE NEW PROGRAM



The books were made of red construction paper with a green Christmas tree placed on the front. They contained Santa Claus letters and pictures of what the pupils wanted.

In Miss Stubblefield's room a play entitled "The Christmas Fairy and Scrooge" will be presented, and the origin of Christmas carols will be told. The following will take part: Phil Sadler, Paul Cope, Naida Malcolm, Margie Hicks, Wayne Limbaugh, Dorothy Craig, Jackie Perry, Charleen Andrews, Carl Killian, Fredie Addudle, Edith Morris, Eugene Praul, Glen Craig. Willa Arthur will lead the Book Club in this room in a Christmas Quiz, a test on Christmas stories.

German Consul Tries To Bar Nazi Spy Film

Hollywood, Cal., Dec. 19.—The Hays office, arbiter of the American film industry, kept aloof today from a growing rift between the German Government and Warner Bros. studio over production of a picture, "Confessions of a Nazi Spy."

Dr. George Gyssling, German Consul at Los Angeles, said he had advised the Hays office "there may be trouble ahead" if the picture is made.

Germany, he said, may bar all future movies from any studio exhibiting one which "conflicts with German interests."

A representative of the Motion Picture Producers' Association—official name of the Hays office—said the Consul's letter had been acknowledged without comment and transmitted to Warner executives.

The picture is based on records of the trial and conviction of three persons in New York recently on charges of Nazi espionage. A writer was assigned to prepare the scenario, but filming has not yet started.

It would be unusual for a studio to produce a picture in the face of a foreign Government's protest, observers say. The Government not only could close its own market to the studio, but could influence others with which it is allied.

Warner Bros., however, already have withdrawn from Germany and similar withdrawal was projected from Italy. If the Hays office or the United States State Department does not intervene, shooting of the spy story is scheduled to begin next month.

The chief difficulty so far, it was said, has been to find an actor suitable for a screen impersonation of Adolf Hitler. Several have rejected the role.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Anderson and children, Betty and Billy, will leave Friday to spend Christmas with Mrs. Anderson's mother, Mrs. W. R. Huckeby, in Jacksonville, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bailey will visit the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bailey this week end. John is a law student at the University of Missouri at Columbia, Mo.

James Edward Bandy and sister, Miss Juanita, spent Wednesday morning in Cape Girardeau.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Malone left Wednesday morning for a trip to New Orleans, La. and other southern cities. They expect to be away for several weeks.

O. M. "Ichy" Arthur of this city and L. W. Simmons of Cape Girardeau made a business trip to Jefferson City Tuesday.

MERRY CHRISTMAS
HAPPY NEW YEAR
From
Pat Murphy Garage
Hiway 61 South



TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS WE WISH A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

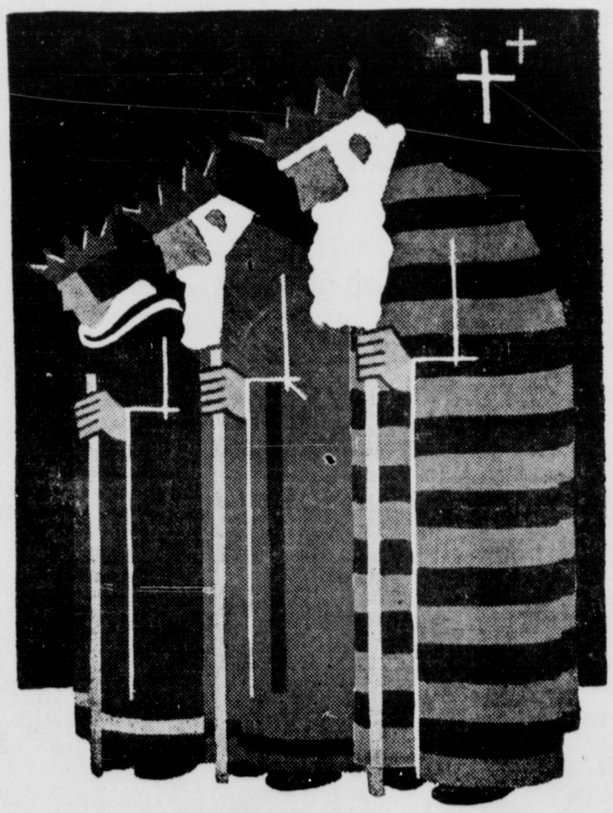
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FRIENDS AND PATRONS

We take this means of sending a message of thanks to each of you and to tell you that we are thinking of you and wishing you a lot of happiness during this Christmas season. We appreciate your patronage of the past and respectfully solicit your 1939 business.

RED'S PLACE
(Red) Ellis



May the day bring to you and yours the peace and contentment of a good old fashioned Christmas and may this same star of peace and contentment continue to shine for you throughout many, many days and many another joyous Christmas. Thus we express OUR wish for YOU on this Christmas Day.

THE MALONE THEATRE
Mr. and Mrs. O. W. McCutchen
T. D. (Pete) Medley, Manager



INSURANCE DUKE SAYS:

That he hopes you will enjoy a Merry Christmas and that the New Year will bring you Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

DUKE WEIDEMANN
INSURANCE
Welsh Building Sikeston

From Us . . .



. . . to You!

Nothing very expensive, or big, or lavish about this greeting. But sincere! Yes, you'll go a long way to find one that comes more from the heart.

FRANK MILLER
Agent
New York Life Insurance Co.



. . . and a happy New Year, in which we hope sincerely that everything nice comes your way, and comes to stay!

Western Auto Associate Store
GENE McCONACHIE, Manager
127 North New Madrid Street
Phone 684 Sikeston, Mo.



AND MAY YOUR HAPPINESS BE COMPLETE DURING THE COMING YEAR IS THE WISH FOR

THE SIKESTON COCA-COLA BOTTLING CO.

It's Management and Employes



to YOU and YOURS from JOE MATHIS City Collector With a "Thank You" for Sikeston's Best Collection Year.

Charleston News

The following schools of Mississippi County will give their Christmas programs this week as follows: Tuesday evening, Bird's Mill; Wednesday evening, Fox school; Wednesday evening, the students of Grigsby school will give the play, "Father Time's Party;" Thursday afternoon at 1:30, Wolf Island; Thursday evening, Concord; Thursday evening, Russell school, with a concert by the Russell School Band; Friday afternoon at 1:30, Rush Ridge school; Friday evening, Bridges school, the students will give the play, "Ebenezer Scrooge at Christmas," from "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens. The combined bands of Crosno, Rush Ridge, Concord, Russell, and Bridges school, under the direction of Mrs. Laura M. Sutherland, director of rural school bands in Mississippi County, will play "Silent Night," "Jingle Bells," "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star." A large attendance is expected.

Formal announcement has been made of the approaching marriage of Mrs. Emma Clack, teacher of commercial subjects in Charleston High School, and a member of a very prominent family of the city, and Mr. Leo P. Steimle, of Cape Girardeau, which will be solemnized in a very quiet ceremony on Christmas Day, December 25, with Rev. C. P. Thogmorton, pastor of the Methodist Church, officiating. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Steimle will leave for a brief honeymoon. Mr. Steimle is connected with Rigdon Laundry at Cape Girardeau.

Mrs. Mamie E. Jones, of Meridian, Mississippi, has announced the marriage of her daughter, Rose Edwina, to Mr. W. B. Wilmurth, Jr., of Meridian, Mississippi, on Friday, December 16, 1938. Mr. Wilmurth is the son of W. B. Wilmurth, Sr., of Charleston, Mo. He was reared in this city, and is a graduate of Charleston High School. The couple are at home to their friends at 2115 29th Avenue, Meridian, Mississippi.

IT ALL DEPENDS

Controversies as to whether the motorist or the pedestrian is more to blame for traffic accidents are endless and just as inconclusive. The fact is, of course, that there are inexcusably careless drivers and equally reckless walkers. On the other hand, there are many thoughtful, careful pedestrians and just as large a proportion of courteous, efficient motorists. If it were not so, the population of the United States would dwindle at a most amazing rate. The percentage of dangerous drivers is really small, and so is the percentage of pedestrians apparently entirely insensitive to the prompting of the instinct of self-preservation.

One's attitude at any given moment is very likely to depend on whether he is driving a car or walking. Current in a small Georgia town is the legend of the ample colored woman who cooked for a doctor. Coming home from a very early morning call, the doctor found his cook standing in the street at a crossing and blistering the air with her invective as she shook her fist at the rapidly departing car that had almost struck her down.

The doctor, moved by sympathy for the upset nerves and a natural desire to have his breakfast on time, ensconced the angry old woman in the automobile and started along his way. Within a few blocks the doctor had first to blow his horn and then to slow his vehicle to a stop to allow a rhematicky old colored man, who was likewise very deaf, to creep out of the way all unaware and regardless. At this, the passenger raised up and cried, "Run over de old fool! He ain't got no business being here in de way, anyhow!" A vast deal depends on the point of view.

The police in the meantime are in the middle, the fair target for two hostile camps whose personnel shifts rapidly and variously. The driver wants the pedestrian regulated very strictly and the pedestrian thinks the drivers should be hobbled in every way. The truth lies somewhere between these extremes, for modern automotive traffic is of necessity a co-operative proposition. There is no excuse for the "Dodge-me-if-you-can" tpye of motorist, but there is no more excuse for the "I-dare-you-to-hit-me" type of pedestrian.

In the long run, the proper prescription contains about equal proportions of common sense and good manners, with everybody who wants to stay whole taking regular doses.—Commercial Appeal.

Mrs. E. C. Matthews, daughter, Miss Olga, and son, Edward, were dinner guests of Miss Madeline Bergmann in Cape Girardeau, Sunday evening. The occasion was the birth anniversary of Miss Bergmann.

Mrs. W. T. Malone and little grand son, Ichy Brown Jr., will visit relatives in Terre Haute, Ind. over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Slow expect to leave the last of this week for Bryant, Ohio, to visit relatives during the holidays.



New Type Warplane Developed by Army

Washington, Dec. 17.—The Army Air Corps is developing a revolutionary new type of warplane in its race to keep ahead of other countries in aviation advances.

Authoritative sources described the new weapon today as an attack bomber, combining features of existing attack and bombing planes. Its speed is expected to approach the six-mile-a-minute pace of the latest pursuit craft.

Guided by air corps specifications, a dozen manufacturers have been working since early this year on experimental models to be submitted to the army along with bids by March 8 at Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio.

M. U. JOURNALISM STUDENTS FROM 39 STATES, 6 FOREIGN COUNTRIES

Thirty-nine states, Washington, D. C. and six foreign countries are represented in the student body at the School of Journalism at the University of Missouri, according to Dean Frank L. Martin.

Missouri heads the list with 177 students, Illinois ranks second with 25, New York and Oklahoma are tied for third with 13 each. Kansas is next with 12 and Texas ranks sixth with 11. There are 10 students from six foreign countries including China, Italy, Turkey, Japan, Hawaii and the Philippine Islands. This tabulation does not include the students doing graduate work.

Those states from which there are no students enrolled in the Journalsim School are: Maine, New Hampshrie, Washington, Oregon, West Virginia, Arizona, Wyoming, Maryland and Delaware.

Christian Church

Bible School at 9:45 a. m.

Communion and preaching at 10:45 a. m. Sermon theme, "Jesus the Messiah."

Junior and Senior Christian Endeavor 6:30 p. m.

Evangelistic services at 7:30 p. m.

The Christmas Pageant, "Gifts of Love," will be presented New Year's evening instead of next Sunday so as not to conflict with other programs.

Special Christmas music by the choir will be presented Sunday in connection with all the services.

The revival meeting will begin Sunday, Jan. 8, with evangelist Sam P. Jones, of Lexington, Ky., preaching.

R. S. Rains, Minister.

Miss Virgie Anderson, a member of the school faculty at Laurel, Miss. is visiting her sister, Mrs. Tillman Anderson at her home in Cape Girardeau.



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BOXED CANDY
"It's the Candy in the Package That Builds Repeat Sales"
ALSO AMBROSIA AND BUNTE BROS.
In One to Five Pound Boxes
HARD AND SOFT CANDIES IN BULK
Old fashioned Peppermint Stick Candy in 1c, 5c and 20c sticks
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JOY TO ALL
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Office Room 261-262 McCoy-Tanner Bldg.
Sikeston, Mo. Phone 680

SEASON'S GREETINGS 1938 1938

With the constant rush and worry of the regular day's work one is likely to overlook the finer and nobler things of life.

At the Xmas Season we bow our heads in reverence to God's Supreme gift to mankind.

In the words of Tiny Tim:

"God bless us every one".

REISS DAIRY



A Merry Christmas for Everyone

is the wish of the entire

personnel of the

Scott County Milling Company

Many this happy Yuletide Season be

one of Happiness and Prosperity.



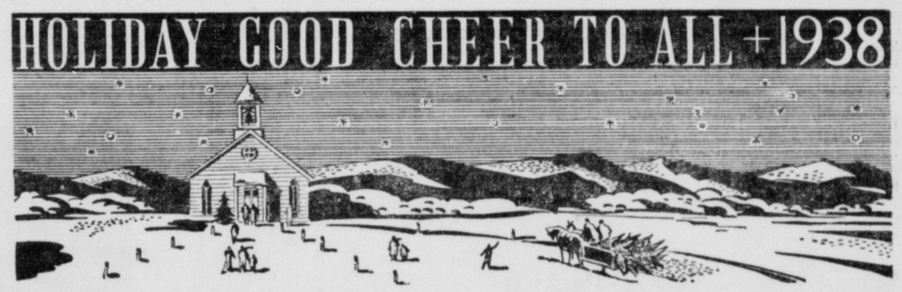
This is the sincere wish of every member of the management and of all the employees of this company. In our daily contact with you during the past year we hope that it has been as pleasant for you to know us as it has been for us to know you. And in remembrance we wish to again express the oft-repeated—

"A MERRY, HAPPY CHRISTMAS

TO YOU

AND YOURS!"

Sikeston Cotton Oil Mill



CHRISTMAS
IS ONE
OF THE
RARE MOMENTS

In life when one forgets the daily routine and the cares of the business world.

It's the only day that plucks at your heartstrings and makes us thoughtful and appreciative.

So, we can't let this Christmas slip by without telling you how grateful we are to you for you have done for us.

And after the Holidays are over we want you to know that we are going to work with but one thought in mind—the conviction that a satisfied customer is worth a dozen prospective ones.

That your Christmas may be a merry one and 1938 the most prosperous year you've ever experienced is the

Sincere wish of

THE SIMPSON OIL COMPANY
Service Stations in Southeast Missouri



Buchanan County, "Central Western Gateway"

Buchanan County, the "Central Western Gateway," situated on the Missouri River in the famous Platte Purchase country, was organized on December 31, 1838, one hundred years ago this week.

The county became a part of the state by the final annexation on March 28, 1837, of the Platte Purchase country, which also included the present counties of Platte, Andrew, Holt, Nodaway, and Atchison. Possibly as early as 1803, thirty-four years before, Joseph Robidoux was trading with the Indians at Blacksnake Hills. In 1826 he again landed his keel boat at the mouth of Roy's branch, at the foot of the hills, and began laying the foundation for a trading community that was to play a conspicuous part in the development of the Great West. Between April 1 and June 15, 1849, over 2,000 wagons bound for California and the far west crossed the ferries at St. Joseph, for those were

"The days of old,
The days of Gold,
The days of '49."

During the spring of 1850 it was estimated from 40,000 to 50,000 gold sekeers camped within the county. The first westbound rider of the pony express left St. Joseph on April 3, 1860. William A. Davis, asssitant postmaster at St. Joseph, invented the railway postal car and in 1862 intrdouced the system of distributing mail in transit.

Buchanan, named for James Buchanan, a prominent statesman of 1838 who later became the fifteenth president of the United States, is Missouri's sixth smallest county, but in spite of its size (408 square miles), it ranks third in population, third in the number of retail establishments, and is an outstanding manufacturing and distributing center among Missouri's 114 counties. For the five year period 1931-1935 it was fourth in the average yield of corn per acre and in 1936 was of dairy products. It is a horticultural center too, and ranks second in the production of apples, third in the production of cherries, and fifth in the production of grapes. In 1924 the first of the Apple Blossom festivals, in which the neighboring apple-growing counties participate, was held in St. Joseph.

St. Joseph, named by Joseph Robidoux for his patron Saint, is Missouri's third largest city, with a population of 80,935 in 1930. The town was platted in 1843 and incorporated in 1845. It won the county seat from Sparta in 1845-1846 and soon took precedence over all other towns in northwest Missouri as a rendezvous for mountaineers, emigrants, freighters, and gold seekers. Today the city is an important railway, truck and bus line center, and is rapidly developing as an air transportation center.

The first steamboat to ascend the Missouri River above eastern Chariton County, the Western Engineer, reached Buchanan County in 1819. The Hannibal and St. Joseph railroad was completed in 1859, and during the railroad building era the county contributed $1,350,000 for railroad construction. Today it is crossed by seven railways and six federal highways.

The county's first newspaper, the Weekly Gazette, was established in St. Joseph in 1845, and was closely folowed by The Adventure. Now the county has eleven newspapers and magazines, ten of which are published in St. Joseph. Among these are two daily newspapers, the St. Joseph News-Press and the St. Joseph Gazette. The first school, probably located in Crawford township, near Halleck, was taught by Francis Ferguson in 1839.

The St. Joseph Female Institute was incorporated in 1851; State Hospital No. 2 was founded in 1872; the Memorial Home in 1874; Saint Joseph Hospital, usually called Sisters, in 1869; Noyes Hospital in 1912; and the Missouri Methodist Hospital in 1924. The county also has two osteopathic and one Negro hospital.

Among the county's distinguished citizens was Joseph Robidoux, trader, one of the incorporators of the Hannibal and St. Joseph railroad and the founder of St. Joseph. Others of importance are Governors Willard P. Hall, Robert M. Stewart, and Silas Woodson; Brigadier General M. Jeff Thompson, "The Swamp Fox"; Joseph A. Corby, business promotor; James B. Gardenhire, Attorney General for the State; Mary Alicia Owen, folklorist; Jessie L. Gaynor, composer; E. B. Neely, educator; and Dr. Daniel Morton, author and physician.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Vaughan and family will leave Saturday for Paris, Mo. to spend the holidays with relatives. They expect to return New Year's Eve.

The Sikeston Standard $2 per year

SPEAKING OF HOARDING



Liquor Law Licensing Held Constitutional

Jefferson City, Dec. 20.—The Missouri Supreme Court held constitutional today the licensing provisions of the State liquor laws and said the Attorney-General had the power to go into any court and enforce them.

The ruling was made when the court reversed action of the Buchanan County Circuit Court in quashing a liquor law violation charge against Otto Kennedy of Buchanan County, and remanded the case.

The Attorney-General's office charged Kennedy with the unlawful sale of liquor several months ago. Kennedy filed a motion to quash the charge, contending the Attorney-General's office was without authority and that the licensing provisions of the liquor law which classify cities and towns violated the equal protection clause of the Constitution.

He was upheld in the Circuit Court.

"The evils that result from the intemperate use and the unrestrained sale of intoxicating liquor are so well known and have so often been adverted to by the courts as to need to further comment from us," the Supreme Court's opinion said. "Regulations that might be appropriate for rural districts and small towns might not be so for larger population centers."

"The enactment of the statute in question was within the province of the Legislature and said statute is not violative of the provisions of the State Constitution."

As to the Attorney-General's right to file the liquor charge in Buchanan County, the opinion quoted the law:

"When for any reason whatsoever the provisions of this act shall not be enforced in any county in this State it shall be the duty of the Attorney-General . . . to enforce the same in such county and for that purpose he may appoint as many assistants as he shall deem necessary."

Sikeston, Mo.
Dec. 20, 1938

Dear Santa:

I try to be a good girl and I want you to bring me a Rag Doll, a pair of house shoes, a color book, crayolas, and a desk.

I am a little girl five year old and go Kindergarten every day.

From,
Janet-Sue Stewart.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bowman and son, Fred Jr., of Chicago, are expected Friday evening to spend Christmas with Mrs. Bowman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Simler.



CHRISTMAS CHEER
and Happiness
During
the Coming Year
is
the Sincere
Wish of

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Season's Greetings to All - 1938

We extend to you Christmas greetings and good will, and may boundless holiday cheer be ever yours. To our ever-widening circle of friends we are especially grateful this year.

JONES DRUG SUNDRIES
Highway 61
Fred Jones, Sr. **Fred Jones, Jr.**



Deck the halls with boughs of holly

IT IS OUR WISH

That you will not overlook this greeting when the postman delivers all the others at your door. We extend our sincere hope that this Christmas will be the best you have ever had

ELECTRIC SERVICE CO.
Phone 45-372
"Jimmy" Dowdy, Prop.



That your Christmas may be Merry and full of Gladness and that the New Year may bring you a full measure of Health and Success is our wish for you this Glad Season.

Southside Cleaners
Harry Lewis



To Everyone in the Sikeston District
We Wish For You

A MERRY CHRISTMAS and PROSPERITY IN 1939

We desire to thank all who have contributed in any way to our success since we have been in Sikeston.

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Hubert Keasler, Mgr.
A complete line of Kelvinator Domestic and Commercial equipment.



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JOE RYAN
at the
MOTEL CAFE
Highway 61

THANKS FOR THE BUSINESS GIVEN US DURING THE PAST YEAR



MANY THANKS TO YOU KIND FRIENDS

You have made the past year Pleasant for us by giving us your valued patronage.

You have made it safe for yourself by using Firestone and Fisk Tires on your car, and the other products with which we serve.

MAY THIS BE YOUR HAPPIEST CHRISTMAS

With loved ones and the blessing of home surrounding you, we want you to anticipate and to receive during the coming New Year, all to which your heart aspires.

And may you throughout the New Year, roll merrily along—with Firestone and Fisk Tires and Exide and Fisk Batteries, to Greater Happiness and Material Prosperity.

MAY THIS BE YOUR HAPPIEST CHRISTMAS

DYE SERVICE STATION
H. E. Blackburn, Proprietor



TO OUR MANY CUSTOMERS
And Sincere
THANKS
for Your
Patronage

"May Christmas bring to you
Good Cheer,
For Christmas comes but
once Each Year!"

Sanitary Barber Shop

A Merry Christmas to You All



I SAW THREE SHIPS COME SAILING IN ON CHRISTMAS DAY IN THE MORNING.. 1938

The dawn of the Christmastide is breaking on the receding shores of 1938. Again its message, the most beautiful in human history, is coming to us. Humanity's finest and deepest responses of the mind and heart waken into being as the bells of Christendom are waiting to peal their welcome to a New Born Year.

On the threshold of these two immortal seasons, remembering what they mean alike to you and to us, and in the spirit of their message of faith and brotherhood, we wish you "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

For our own part, we are deeply grateful for a most successful year, and we trust this is shared in abundant measure by you.

Again we say to you and yours—"A Merry Christmas" and our Best Wishes for 1938.

THE BUCKNER RAGSDALE CO.





The gift we treasure most was not given at this Christmastime . . . but rather it was given all through the year. This gift is your friendship. We treasure it most because we know it is your way of showing us that our service has been welcomed by you, and that you value this service. So for another year we say "Merry Christmas to All!"

H. F. KIRKPATRICK
Recorder of Deeds

Our Entire Office Force Joins in Wishing a Very



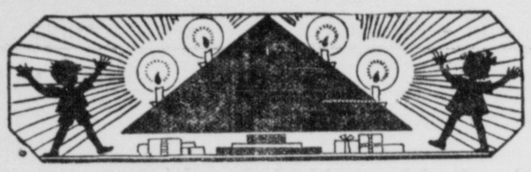
MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE!

C. E. FELKER
Collector of Revenue

BEST Christmas WISHES

TO ALL THE FRIENDS
OF YOUR FRIENDLY
ASSESSOR

LYNN ANCELL



"At Christmas Play and Make Good Cheer, For Christmas Comes But Once a Year!"

May the true spirit of Christmas fill your home at this festive season . . . and may its many benefits linger on throughout the entire year. This is our hope. May a new prosperity and happiness be yours throughout the coming new year. This is our prayer. So we join with everyone in an expectation unity that all this may be true.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

To My Many Friends

DR. G. W. H. PRESNELL, Mayor

Merry Christmas **Seasons Greetings**

Here's Wishing
All
A MERRY
CHRISTMAS
and
HAPPINESS DURING
THE COMING YEAR

Brown Jewell
Police Judge
Justice of the Peace

The Space Is
SMALL
But Our
Greeting Is
BIG!

A. C. BARRETT
City Clerk



May the present festive season fulfill all your expectations of complete happiness . . . and may the New Year bring all the things you've hoped for.

OTTO SCHOEN
Chairman Democratic
Central Committee

CHRISTMAS JOY

We say "Christmas Joy" to you with a promise to keep up our standards of service and courtesy. We always will strive to please our friends at all times.

EMIL STECK
Treasurer



TO ALL MY FRIENDS

R. L. HARRISON
County Surveyor



Our Best Wishes for your Happiness

We offer our best wishes for your complete happiness. We hope that this Christmas season will be your most enjoyable. We hope that the coming year will bring you good health, happiness and prosperity. May this success be associated with the service our office can give you. A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

LEO PFEFFERKORN
Circuit Clerk.



Let's wish together! Let's overlook our little complaints, and let's be thankful for what we have and for what we intend having. Let's wish for each other's joy in this great season . . . and hope for each other's happiness in the coming year. It's easier this way, and more enjoyable. All together, then! A brighter, happier year.

O. F. ANDERSON
County Superintendent of Schools

We Send to You Our GREETINGS!

May your way be gay; your pleasures unending; your Christmas a merry one; your New Year a prosperous one. These are our wishes for you. For ourselves? All we want is your continued friendship. This is enough for anyone.



O. L. SPENCER
Judge Probate Court

GREETINGS

TO YOU AND YOURS FOR A HAPPY AND MOST PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR AND WE CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO CONTINUE YOUR SUGGESTIONS IN THE CONDUCT OF THE COUNTY BUSINESS.

T. F. HENRY
Associate Judge



**THAT
YOU AND
YOURS MAY
HAVE A MERRY
MERRY CHRISTMAS
DAY . . . THAT THE NEW
YEAR MAY DAWN BRIGHTLY
FOR YOU AND BE THE BEST OF
ALL THE YEARS YOU'VE EVER
KNOWN, IS THE WISH OF EVERYONE
IN OUR OFFICE**

H. C. (Buzzy) WATKINS
County Clerk

To Everyone:
A VERY
MERRY
CHRISTMAS!



As Christmas draws near, it is only natural that our thoughts turn to those of you who have played such an indispensable part in our success. Our best way of wishing you a very merry Christmas and a prosperously happy New Year . . . is to assure you of continued enforcement of the law throughout the coming year.

JOHN HOBBS
Sheriff

SIKESTON STANDARD

Southeast Missouri's Leading Semi-Weekly

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We Are the Only Streamlined Newspaper In Sikeston District



The P. C. Editor Says:

This is a beautiful issue of The Standard with all the pretty advertisements, the sentiments contained therein and the money that is coming to the publisher for printing them. We hope the subscribers will not throw the paper aside without going through the entire edition and read every one of the Christmas greetings contained therein.

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Charles Pinnell, Jr., has been appointed by the Paragould, Ark., City Council as an assistant engineer in the new Municipal light and power plant in that city on the recommendation of Dan G. Pepper, former superintendent of the Sikeston plant and who is now superintendent of the light and power plant in Paragould. This young man is a graduate of the Sikeston High School, is sober and industrious and one in whom the entire citizenship of Sikeston can recommend to the good people of Paragould. He has been with the local plant five and a half years beginning his duties under Mr. Pepper. He will leave for Paragould the coming Monday to report for duty and Mrs. Pinnell will join him about the first of February.

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We hate to disappoint readers of the Standard, but there will be only one edition printed Christmas week and that will be the Friday issue that will be delivered in the city Thursday evening. Much work is to be done in the office the last week of 1938 toward cleaning up the office, getting out bills and trying to wind up affairs of the year and start the New Year right.

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A letter from General Means to Colonel Blanton informs us that Governor and Mrs. Stark request the presence of the Colonel and Mrs. Blanton at the New Years reception at the Mansion House, January 1, 1939 from 3:00 to 6:00 o'clock. It is our intention to be present unless some unforeseen problems arise.

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Sylvester Hake, 82-year-old bridegroom, is suing his 54-year-old bride for divorce in St. Louis. Guess Grandpa just couldn't take it.

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From Washington comes word that WPA funds will be exhausted by February 1 unless Congress acts quickly and appropriates more money. This is sufficient notice for our WPA workers to lay in a supply of coal for the days to come.

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These last few days of cold, raw weather must have been pretty chilly on the naked legged girls and nearly no britcherless women folks when we men shivered up and down the spine with our longhandled ones on and a heavy suit of clothes and overcoat. You can never tell how they stand it.

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You will see the word Noel at the head of the greeting from Butlers' Grocery. In France they call it "Noel", from the Latin "natalis" meaning birthday, but as in all civilized lands, where the people are free to practice their religious tenets as they please, it is just as joyous an occasion as if they said "Christmas" instead. And with all due respect to their might and power, dictators are going to have one of their very hardest tasks in effacing Christmas and all it means from the minds and hearts of the people they rule.

SEND YOUR CHRISTMAS GREETINGS BY

WESTERN UNION



MERRY CHRISTMAS

For Eighteen Years I have been allowed to shave you Roughly. You're used to it now so you might just as well come in Regularly for your Rough Work during 1939.

DICK SPARKS
Barber Shop

'39 Tags on Sale Jan. 2

O. M. Arthur's Agency Will Sell Plates, to Be Cream and Black

The 1939 automobile license plates will go on sale at the office of O. M. "Ichy" Arthur, deputy motor vehicle license commissioner, on North Kingshighway, beginning January 2.

The new plates will have cream figures on a black background, he said.

For the Sikeston area, the series for passenger cars for the first 6000 sales will be from 250-001 to 256-000. On trucks the series will be 9-001 to 11-500.

The plates will be of the same design as last year.

In his report to December 5, Mr. Arthur had sold 7032 of the 1938 passenger car licenses, 2730 truck places, 1131 trailer tags and 1000 chauffeur permits. This represents an increase in revenue of about $4000 over last year. Passenger car permits exceeded the previous year by about 200.

Negro Found Wanted for Murder

A routine check of a negro taxi driver Wednesday afternoon for a possible violation of the Public Service Commission laws, by State Trooper V. P. Boisaubin, of Sikeston, landed Silas Gammon, 23, of Cairo, Ill., in jail to face a murder charge.

Gammon, who runs a negro taxi in Cairo, had hauled a passenger to Charleston. He was arrested as the passenger alighted on a Charleston street. Later the patrol learned he was wanted in Crittenden County, Arkansas, for the murder of one "Doc" Bolen, a negro.

A member of the Arkansas State Police and a deputy sheriff from the county came for Gammon the same day.

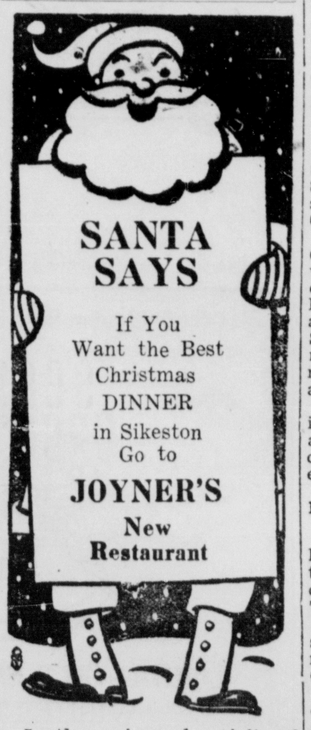
The negro said he shot Bolen with a shotgun. Officers of Arkansas said he slashed Bolen to death with a knife.

MRS. G. C. BAKER ENTERTAINS FOR WORLD VOYAGERS

Mrs. G. C. Baker entertained sixteen guests at a buffet supper in her home Wednesday evening, complimentary to Mrs. E. C. Matthews and Mrs. Chas. D. Matthews, Jr., who plan to sail on the 7th of January for an extended cruise.

Holly, misletoe and a large lighted Christmas tree were used as decorations in the spacious living room, where small tables holding red rosebuds in vases, were placed for the guests. The large table in the dining room was centered with a model of the ship, "Empress of Britain", anchored in water on which red chrysanthemums floated. Southern smilax was used effectively on either side of the ship, and the favors of miniature ships filled with candies. Red tapers burned on the buffet.

W. F. Bergmann and daughter, Miss Madeline, of Cape Girardeau, were out-of-town guests.



In the universal spirit of friendliness at this glad season, we extend our wishes for a delightfully happy holiday.

THE JOYNERS

13 Reels of Fun Film at Malone Free to Kiddies

The dream of every child—to see enough funny movies at one sitting to laugh until the sides ache—will come true for the kiddies of Sikeston on Friday, Dec. 23, at the Malone Theater.

The management, Mr. nad Mrs. O. W. McCutcheon of Blytheville, Ark., and Mr. and Mrs. Duree "Pete" Medley of this city, will present free at 10 a. m. Friday a total of 13 reels of comedy, musical and cartoon pictures. All Sikeston children are invited.

Movies will be shown as follows:

"Love Nest on Wheels".
Cartoon from Universal.
"Ain't We Got Fun."
"Porky and Gabby".
Two cartoons from Paramount.
"Pluto's Quintuplets".
"The Clock Cleaners."
Two comedies from Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer.

Anti-Jewish Acts Cost Germany Export Trade

Berlin, Dec. 19.—The cost of Germany's anti-Jewish excesses, not only in the destruction of property goods, of which Germany is already short, but also in the loss of foreign trade, is brought home to the German people by the November trade figures, issued today.

Exports from "Great Germany" declined to 453,100,000 marks, a drop of almost 8 per cent, compared to the previous month, and almost 80,000,000 marks below the exports of the old Reich territory alone in November of last year. Imports amounted to 522,-100,000 marks, leaving a deficit of 69,000,000 marks.

DEFICIT MOUNTING

The deficit for the first nine months of this year reached 398,-000,000 marks, compared with an export surplus of 422,000,000 marks for the old Reich territory during the same time last year.

The November export decline contrasts sharply with the improvement shown by Britain, France and many other countries. German business circles frankly attribute it to the anti-Jewish excesses, not only of November 10 but also in Austria following the annexation.

As a result, it is pointed out, the large hopes based on trans-Balkan trade access have so far failed to materialize to any extent. Austria's exports have been steadily declining and no less than half of this year's trade deficit is due to Austria's import needs.

This situation explains Germany's new export drive with increased export subsidies, as well as the concern here over Britain's counter-drive designed to "fight and beat Germany with her own weapons." It also explains the sudden visit to London of Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, president of the Reichsbank, during which, according to all reports, he suggested the raising of an international loan to finance both expansion of German exports and the exodus of German Jews as the only way to avert more serious consequences.

IMPORTS FROM U. S. DROP

Exports from Germany, without Austria but including the Sudetenland, amounted to 461,-800,000 marks in November. This showed a trade deficit of 32,400,-000 marks.

Imports from the United States dropped 21,000,000 marks. This was the largest decrease from any country and was mainly due to lower purchases of grain, copper and ores. Exports to the United States decreased by 2,100,000 marks, to Brazil by 2,500,000 marks, to Chile by 1,400,000 marks and to Canada by 1,100,000 marks.

Exports to almost all countries, in fact, declined except to Ireland and Czechoslovakia. The increase in the latter county amounted to 8,000,000 marks.

NAZARENE CHURCH

The young men, young married ladies and young people will meet together with Miss Naomi Hodge, on Ruth Street, Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Sunday School and preaching service will be together Sunday morning. Sermon subject, "Christ's Gift to the Church."

The Sunday School will treat everybody at the close of the service, at 11:30. Over 400 are expected.

Rev. Transue and family will leave Sunday afternoon for Annapolis, Mo., to visit with Mrs. Transue's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Palmer. Roy Heath will preach Sunday evening here.

The Sikeston Standard $2 per year

Civic Leaders Plan Broad Safety Program

Plans for an extensive and comprehensive safety program in the city—designed to reduce traffic hazards and otherwise improve conditions—were considered at a meeting of civic club representatives at the office of Attorney Robert A. Dempster on Wednesday night.

The full program will be announced next week.

It is planned to enlarge the safety committee to include citizens from every ward in the city and more representatives from the major clubs.

The committee is taking action because it realizes something must be done to regulate traffic hazards in the city.

Those at the meeting were Milburn Arbaugh of the Lions, C. C. Scott for the Senior Chamber of Commerce, Jim Henderson, Melvin Dace and Gus Zacher, Jr., for the Junior Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. Dempster for the city.

This was the second meeting by men from the various clubs in behalf of traffic improvement. At a previous session, it was planned to ask the city to buy a motorcycle and create a special traffic officer. This request was complied with by the City Council.

BROWN-BROWN WEDDING SOLEMNIZED AT BENTON

The marriage of Miss Beechy Brown to Clifford E. Brown both of Charleston, was solemnized Saturday night, 8:30 o'clock by the Rev. Thomas L. Bess, pastor of the Benton (Mo.) Methodist church at the parsonage.

Attendants included Miss Helen Poe, Buddy Morrow and Richard Hearnes. Other friends who accompanied the couple to Benton were Mrs. Richard Hearnes, Misses Bertha Scott and Marge Poe. The bride was attired in a beige crepe frock with British tan accessories, while her bridesmaid, Miss Helen Poe, wore a teal blue frock with black accessories.

Announcement of the marriage came as a complete surprise to the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Brown.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Brown, while the groom is the son of Mrs. Rinda Scott, both of Charleston. Mr. and Mrs. Brown were born and reared in Charleston, and spent most of their respective lives in this community. Both are popular and enjoy a large cricle of friends.

The couple will remain here through the Christmas holidays. After January 3 Mr. and Mrs. Brown will be at home to their friends at Manilla, Ark., where Mr. Brown is stationed with the U. S. Engineers corps.—Enterprise Courier.

Summary of Social Security Changes Proposed

Washington, Dec. 19.—Here, in brief, are the principal recommendations of the Social Security Advisory Council for revising the Social Security Act:

1. Ultimate extension of Federal old-age insurance to "the largest possible proportion of our gainfully employed population."

2. Advancement from 1942 to Jan. 1, 1940, of the beginning of old-age insurance payments.

3. Protection of the "family unit" by paying supplementary benefits to aged wives and widows of beneficiaries.

4. Payment of orphans' benefits and widows' allowances when workers die before reaching retirement age of 65.

5. Payment of disability insurance to workers and their families when permanent and total disability stops the worker from earning a living.

6. Payment of lump-sum benefits up to $200.

7. Immediate extension of the system to seamen and employes of banks, non-profit religious, charitable and educational institutions. This would cover about 2,600,000 persons.

8. Inclusion of about 6,000,000 farm and domestic employes by Jan. 1, 1940, if possible.

9. Elimination of the old-age reserve, estimated to reach 47 billion dollars by 1980, in favor of a much smaller "contingency fund," for which social security taxes would be earmarked.

10. Contribution of one-third of the insurance system's cost by the Federal Government, with employers and workers contributing the balance in equal shares.

Mrs. Lowell Greer was brought home Wednesday from St. Francis Hospital, Cape Girardeau, where she recently sustained an operation for appendicitis. Mr. Greer went to Cape Girardeau and accompanied Mrs. Greer Home.

Stores Will Close Monday

Business Leaders Urge Holiday for City Firms Dec. 26

Sikeston business men in the Senior and Junior Chambers of Commerce decided at a meeting Wednesday morning to request all business places in the city to close on Monday, Dec. 26, the day after Christmas.

Monday is a legal holiday for the bank and postoffice. The merchants expressed the desire that all business houses would remain closed Monday since Sunday was a regular holiday anyway. This would permit workers of the big Christmas rush to rest.

All grocers and others engaged in public business are urged to co-operate with the suggestion.

T. E. L. Class Gives Pageant at Christmas Party

A Christmas party for the T. E. L. Class of the Baptist Church was given last Thursday night at the home of Mrs. L. T. Davey on Front Street. Mrs. Jack Johnson, Mrs. Alfred Taylor, Mrs. Hester Carraway, Mrs. Bert Ingram and Miss Rebecca Pierce served as co-hostesses.

The living room was shaded with red and green lights and tall, simulated red tapers stood at the sides of the grand piano. Small lighted trees were placed on the piano and a larger white tree with blue lights stood on the radio.

A pageant, "Birth of the Christ Child", was performed by members of the class and Dorothy Dean Marshall gave a reading. Mrs. Dean Marshall and Mrs. W. C. Edwards planned the program.

The class netted $18 at the "hog killing," which was done by empty hog banks, and the members decided to donate $5 for the Christmas baskets. The class also will give jelly and fruit for the baskets.

Following the program, refreshments of creamed chicken on rosettes, olives, Ritz crackers, pickles, cranberry salad, cake with whipped cream and peaches, were served to the 42 members present.

CONDITIONS OF MRS. FOLEY UNIMPROVED

The condition of Mrs. J. W. Foley, who recently sustained a major operation at St. Francis Hospital, Cape Girardeau, is not considered satisfactory. Phebitis has developed, which will cause her convalescense to be very slow.

HOSTESS TO KNITTING CLUB

Mrs. Edward Boardman was hostess to member of her Knitting Club Tuesday afternoon, at a Christmas party. Gifts were exchanged by these guests, Mrs. E. F. Deneke, Mrs. Jno. O. Edwards, Mrs. Truman Limbaugh, Mrs. Harold Lindley, Mrs. Wayne Bess, Mrs. Ned Tanner, Mrs. Herman Bandy, Mrs. Harry Trousdale and Mrs. Wm. Cotton.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES ENTERTAINED

The Ben-Jon Missionary Society and the Philathia Sunday School Class were entertained at the home of Miss Kathryn Clark Wednesday night, with a Christmas party. This is an annual affair and the members make clothes for two dolls that are given to two girls at Christmas time. A large lighted tree was a feature of the decorations and gifts were exchanged by those present.

MRS. HAYES TIDWELL ENTERTAINS

Mrs. Hayes Tidwell entertained a group of ladies at her home Wednesday night. Christmas gifts were exchanged and names were drawn for a Sunshine friend for the coming year. Those present were, Mrs. Carl B. Wallace, Mrs. Otis Champion, Mrs. Charles Bethune, Mrs. Russell Walker, Mrs. John Martin, Mrs. Ted Joyce, Mrs. Lynear Carter, Mrs. Clyde Healy.

THE IDEAL GIFT

Combination price
Maytag Washer and Ironer.

$99

Sikeston Maytag Co.

New Machine at Reiss Plant Fills Bottles Quickly

The Reiss Dairy has invested $1400 in a new bottling machine that would startle even the cows that produced the milk if they could see it in operation.

The machine, a Milwaukee Automatic Bottler, or "Nuline Filler", will fill and cap 45 bottles of milk, cream or chocolate milk per minute.

Each bottle is filled to an exact height. Caps are fastened on very securely. The machine is adjustable for bottles of different heights. Wherever milk touches metal, the metal is of stainless steel. The electric motor is adjustible to variable speeds.

In three hours running time, the device can handle the day's supply of 6000 bottles, according to L. M. Standley, plant manager.

The Reiss Dairy also has a new 100-gallon stainless steel cottage cheese vat and a new 150-gallon spray pasteurizer. There are also two other pasteurizers of the same capacity, purchased not many months ago.

The bottling machine is fed by bottles on an automatic conveyor from the washer, a large enclosed machine that uses nine different processes to clean bottles, including the soaking of bottles in a solution for eight minutes, spray injections and sterilization, the final step, in a chlorine solution. The machine cleans 20 bottles per minute.

Arrange to Fill Vets' Basket

Members of the American Legion Auxiliary brought to the home of Mrs. Loomis Mayfield food and toys to go into Christmas baskets for the families of needy war veterans. Each member brought food and an appropriate toy for both a boy and a girl. The baskets will be arranged Saturday by Mrs. Mayfield, Mrs. Jean Hirschberg, Mrs. C. J. Stevens, Mrs. R. L. Proffer, Mrs. U. T. Rabb and the president, Mrs. W. A. Smith. The baskets will be distributed Saturday to 12 families.

Stark Orders Insurance Refunds be Made Promptly

Jefferson City, Dec. 21.—Gov. Lloyd C. Stark declared last night that repayments of impounded fire insurance funds "will be made as promptly as it is humanly possible to do so."

"I am instructing Mr. George A. S. Robertson, superintendent of insurance, to move with all possible speed consistent with efficiency and accuracy," the Governor said. "However, I hope the people will recognize the tremendous amount of work in handling the refunds which go to some 800,000 individuals."

"I am deeply gratified," Stark added, "that today's Supreme Court decision has cleared the way for us to return to the policyholders the money which I have always maintained is rightfully theirs. This is a happy ending to a fight I have waged since my inauguration as Governor." Stark returned yesterday from Washington, where he conferred with Federal officials on Missouri problems.



May Christmas find you surrounded by old friends and true and may their companionship be as warm as the firelight streaming from the Yule log.

LIMBAUGH'S
Taxi Service
Phone 702

Kiwanis Change Location for Pancake Feed

Pancakes will help to provide necessities of life for some needy children in Sikeston.

The Kiwanis of Sikeston are making it possible for the public to help in this enterprise by giving all the pancakes a man can eat, with coffee Saturday, Dec. 24. This will be held in the Hotel Marshall dining room, instead of in the building formerly occupied by Sutton Brothers Grocery.

This feed will last all day. The public is invited to come at any time and get this excellent food for the small sum of twenty-five cents. This is a part of the service work of this club and all funds will be used for the good of the public.

Members of the club have donated the supplies and are taking time from their regular work for the purpose of carrying on this urgent work for underprivileged children.

Evangelist, Once Here, Dies in Texas

Word was received here Wednesday of the death of Rev. J. A. Carroll, prominent evangelist among the Christian Churches of the United States, which occurred on Tuesday at his home in Bay City, Texas, where he was pastor of the Christian Church. Death was due to a heart ailment from which he had suffered for some months.

Rev. R. S. Rains, pastor of the Sikeston church and lifelong friend of the Rev. Mr. Carroll, will go to St. Louis Thursday where he will join Mrs. Carroll and her son, Earl, of Mt. Vernon, Ill., and accompany the body to Wauseon, Ohio, where he will conduct the funeral services Friday. Burial will be in the family cemetery there.

Rev. Carroll had been in evangelistic work for 50 years, devoting most of his time to evangelistic singing, but occasionally conducting revival meetings. About a year ago he and his wife conducted a revival meeting in the Sikeston church, being joined here later by Rev. Rains, the present pastor. The Bay City, Texas, church was his first and only regular pastorate.

REVIVALIST COMING TO CHURCH OF GOD

The Church of God, located on West Kendall Street, will begin a revival meeting Sunday night, Dec. 25. The Rev. C. F. Reynolds will be the evangelist. Rev. Reynolds has had wide experience as an evangelist. He is known as the "Cyclone Evangelist of Mississippi" and is widely known throughout 20 states. He states there will be a timely, inspired and fiery message and demonstration of the Holy Spirit. Everybody welcome.—E. R. Pulliam, pastor.

MRS. DANIEL'S
HOT TAMALES
Fresh Daily
Daniels & Shepherd Tavern



A MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR
is the wish
of

WYATT COAL YARD
Phone 195

Negro Cafe Gutted by Fire

Stubborn Blaze Off Business District Gives Firemen Big Task

A stubborn blaze that sent a pall of smoke over the downtown area late Wednesday afternoon gutted a negro night club and rooming house across the alley from the swimming pool, beside the Sikeston Tractor and Implement Co.

Originating in the attic, the blaze did not break through the roof of the well-constructed building because of asbestos shingles covering it. Instead flames smouldered within and crept downward, sending huge clouds of smoke out of windows and openings burned in the walls. Hampered by the roof and the smoke, firemen spent an hour and a half subduing the blaze.

The building, rented by A. D. Redd, colored, for a cafe and dance hall, was damaged mostly in the attic. Flames also damaged upstairs rooms, used as living quarters, and ate into the walls toward the lower floor.

The building is owned by Arch and John Russell, farmers living near town. It had hardwood floors inside, part of which were damaged. Loss on the $1500 building may reach $500.

The semblance of a big business district fire was created when the pumper truck used a hydrant at Malone and Kingshighway and police were forced to direct traffic on Highway 60 a block south.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Langley and children will visit relatives in Piggott, Ark. over Christmas.



We Wish All of You
A MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR

SIKESTON SEED STORE
Al Daily, Prop.



May your Christmas blessings include the priceless gifts of health, happiness and contentment. We take this opportunity to thank our friends and customers for a prosperous year.

The Steak House
Geo. L. Dye

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl two years old. I haven't been very good but I would like a few things for Christmas and maybe I'll be better next year.

I want a tricycle, an iron, dishes, piano, table and chairs, bubble set, books gun and train.

And Santa please bring Sonny Chaney one more fish.

Mary Catherine Miederhoff.
308 Kathleen.



MERRY CHRISTMAS
HAPPY
NEW YEAR
from
"Bud" Schrader
Conoco Agent

We give a 30-Day Written Guarantee on Used Cars.

CHEVROLET

Used Cars

PRICED RIGHT
Late Models

1938—Chevrolet DeLuxe Coupe, Low Mileage (Less than 8,000 miles)	$575
1936—Dodge Coupe. A real serviceable car priced for only	$325
1937—Chevrolet Master Coach. A Steal at this price	$450
1937—Chevrolet 4-door Sedan, priced for only	$450
1934—Ford V-8 DeLuxe Coach	$225
1937—Master Chevrolet Town Sedan, Clean inside and out	$450
1936—Chevrolet Coach, New paint, Motor A-1. A real serviceable car for	$335
1937—Chevrolet De Luxe Coupe, A-1 Tires, Motor O. K. Radio	$450
1936—Chevrolet Long Wheelbase, Truck, New Paint, Color Red, Cab and Chassis	$295
1935—Chevrolet Master De Luxe Town Sedan	$295
1932—Buick Coupe, New Paint, Seat Covers	$195
1931—Chevrolet Coach	$135

Merrie Christmas

AUTO CLUB MISSOURI

Mitchell-Sharp Chevrolet Co.

Chevrolet Bldg.
Phone 299 Sikeston



Synopsis: Four new friends of Miss Ellen Fortune's had met her on a train after being expelled from a Riviera home because Colonel Anthony Carleton, an actor, head of the family, couldn't explain an unusual run of poker luck. George-Anne Carleton had quarreled with her admirer, Duncan MacCrae, although she was in love with him. Her brother, Richard, had lost his chances with an heiress because of his father's cheating. Their mother, whom they called "Marmy," didn't mind their status of society hoboes — in fact she didn't mind anything very much. Then the train was wrecked. Richard and George-Anne carried Miss Fortune to safety.

Chapter Three

After her rescue, Miss Fortune was so grateful to the Carletons that she hesitantly asked George-Anne if the family wouldn't be her guests for a while.

George-Anne held her breath, and said she'd try to persuade her father to accept the proffered hospitality. Of course he did, but a certain difficulty arose when they arrived at her large Victorian home



George-Anne called a midnight conference.

in London.

Felix Anstruther, Miss Fortune's attorney, thought the transaction a bit odd, and told her he intended to investigate the Carletons.

Meanwhile, however, the old lady didn't take Anstruther's warning seriously, and made the Carletons feel perfectly at home. So it became apparent to the sensitive George-Anne that a permanent solution of the family difficulties was at hand. She called a midnight conference in her brother's room.

"Since Mr. Dickey was good enough to leave Miss Fortune this big house," she said, "wouldn't it be selfish of us to leave in two week's when our invitation is up?"

"You mean — just stay on — and on — perhaps for another fortnight?" asked Marmy.

"We can stay on forever. All we have to do is to go on being what she thinks we are."

"Charming, you mean?"

"No! Decent. Honest. Sober. And hard working."

The Sahib gasped, cringed.

"Just what do you mean by that?" he asked anxiously.

"I mean, darling, no funny business with cards. No bills. No brandy."

"But — " panic shook the Sahib's voice — "wouldn't that be paying too high a price?"

George-Anne turned to Marmy.

"And you, angel, will have to get up for breakfast, and keep things tidy, and stop harping on that fake royal forefather."

"Give up my fake royal forefather? My own flesh and blood?"

"And you, Rick, will have to look for a job, and take the Sahib with you."

George-Anne explained they didn't have to find jobs — just spend their time looking. If they made a good impression, she told them, maybe Miss Fortune would leave them all Mr. Dickey's money!

That was such a cheerful thought that Rick and his father left the house the next morning in a happy frame of mind.

They visited the British Museum, the zoo, and the National Gallery; then the Sahib said it was time Richard saw life in the raw. So they walked over by a big construction job.

"Interesting problem," commented the Sahib. "Capital...labor... classes...masses...no jobs...no leadership. Wish I were younger, my boy."

The noon whistle blew.

"Lunch!" exclaimed Richard.

"High time, too," his father agreed. "It's been a long morning."

They sat down by a "Men Wanted" sign, took sandwiches from their pockets and began to eat.

Meanwhile, George-Anne, at home was surprised by a call from her rejected suitor, Duncan MacCrae. He had seen a "Position Sought" want-ad bearing the Sahib's name in the paper that morning, and had called to investigate.

George-Anne was glad to see Duncan in spite of herself, but he enraged her by demanding why the Sahib had advertised for a job.

"Because he wants one!" she replied. "He's out all day looking for one — every day!"

Just then the Sahib himself came in.

"I understand you've been looking for a position," said Duncan.

"Not ashamed to admit it. No stone unturned. Difficult times, my boy. Today for example. Interviewed by any number of presidents of this, that and the other. All nice chaps, eager to help — but what can they do? Makes one wonder."

"Then maybe I can be of service," Duncan said. "I have found you an excellent position."

The Sahib gave a startled bleat.

"I beg your pardon?"

"You see, I happened to run across your advertisement."

The Sahib gazed accusingly at George-Anne, who had inserted the "Position Sought" want-ad.

"That's wonderful, Sahib," she said. "Simply splendid." To Duncan: "What is the position?"

"It's with a motor car company, run by friends of mine. They sell the Flying Wombat — and they want salesmen. Your father seems to qualify. The ad says, 'no previous business experience — finest social references'."

"But my capacities are entirely unsuited; been having a touch of my old wheeze lately." He wheezed.

"Remember, Sahib," George-Anne interrupted, "the doctor said it was pure hysteria." To Duncan: "He's always hysterical when he starts a new position. He's afraid he won't be good at it. But he will!"

So Duncan told him to report at the Wombat salesroom next morning.

"I'm terribly grateful, Duncan," George-Anne.

Duncan was skeptical. "I do no believe your father has any intention of taking the position at all. I do no think you are amused — nor grateful."

George-Anne's face blazed. She told Duncan he'd better stay away from her altogether.

Nevertheless, next morning, she insisted the Sahib go to work to prove to Miss Fortune he was "on the level."

So Richard accompanied his father to the Wombat office, and their farewell at the threshold of industry was a sad one.

"Feed the penguins for me if you get to the zoo again," the Sahib said.

(To be continued)

Italy to Insist on French Territory

Rome, Dec. 20.—A Fascist spokesman indicated today Italy would press for colonial concessions from France in the face of French warnings that such a course might mean war.

Virginio Gayda, authoritative Fascist editor, declared French Foreign Minister Georges Bonnet's refusal to cede an inch of French territory was dangerous and added Italy was "not alarmed" by Bonnet's "anticipated and obstinate series of 'noes.'"

(Bonnett told the French Chamber of Deputies yesterday that "France never will cede an inch of territory.")

Gayda commented sharply on Bonnet's speech and declared such intransigence might reassure and satisfy French citizens but did not reassure or satisfy "European peace and the cause of true justice."

"Such declarations as Bonnet's, fixing a rigid position without the possibility of reconsideration, are useful to demagoguery but are not adapted to diplomacy and dangerous for the policy of a nation," the editor continued.

Woman Named to Vacancy On Social Security Board

Washington, Dec. 20.—President Roosevelt announced today the appointment of Mrs. Ellen Woodward of Mississippi to the Social Security Board.

Mrs. Woodward , who is an assistant administrator of WPA, will succeed Miss Mary Dewson. The President said he thought Mrs. Woodward should serve for five years—the rest of Miss Dewson's term. Asked why Miss Dewson had resigned, Roosevelt said she couldn't stand it, then added hurriedly, amid laughter, that he meant she could not stand the pace. There was no question of disagreement involved, the President said.

Asked about other appointments, the President said none was in sight.

Germans in France Refuse To Return for Military Duty

Metz, France, Dec. 21.—Several thousand young Germans living on the French side of the border have defied orders issued through German consulates to return to Germany for military service.

Most of those affected are sons of Rhineland and Saar separatists who took refuge in France when Germany regained full control of those regions, after the Saar plebiscite of 1935.

Most of these refugees have remained in France without becoming French citizens. Orders to perform military service are normal for Germans living abroad, but in this case most of those called fear they will be persecuted if they obey. By ignoring the orders they run the risk of being charged with desertion if they return to Germany.

Congressman Says Party Should End C I O Tie-Up

Washington, Dec. 21.—Representative Cox (Dem.), Georgia, called on the Democratic party yesterday to dissolve any "tie-up" it has with John L. Lewis, the CIO, or Labor's non-Partisan League.

"Heaven pity the Democratic party should John L. Lewis and his cohorts get control of it" he said. "He and his CIO have been paid 10,000 times over for the contribution they made to the party in 1936.

"The good of the party and the country demand that any tie-up with them—if there be such a tie-up—be broken, and that without delay. I should as soon live in Russia as under any government that this aggregation would provide, for it would be, after all, Russia brought to America."

The Daughters of the American Legion met Friday, Dec. 16 with Joan Burrow as hostess. The meeting was called to order by our associate leader Joan Burrow and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag followed with the prayer by our chaplain June Langley. The song, America was then sung. New business was discussed about caps. There being no further business the meeting adjourned to a social hour.



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Dec. 20, 1938

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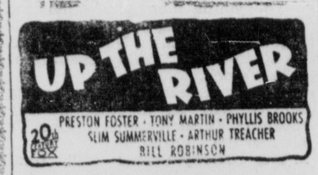
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May File Until Jan. 5 If Employes Cut To Less Than Eight

Under the Missouri Unemployment Compensation Law employers now liable for the payment of contributions, but whose employment has dropped below eight workers for the required time designed by law, have only until January 5, 1939, to file an application for "termination of coverage", according to a statement by Harry G. Waltner, Jr., counsel for the commission, to E. R. Ryan, chief interviewer of the Sikeston office of the state employment service.

Several firms in Sikeston have dropped below the eight-man minimum, Mr. Ryan said. His office serves Scott, Mississippi, New Madrid and Stoddard counties.

Regarding the places were employes have dropped below eight, Section 7 (b) of the law reads in part as follows:

". . . An employing unit shall cease to be an employer subject to this act as of the first day of January of any calendar year, if it files with the commission, prior to the fifth day of January of such year, a written application for termination of coverage, and the commission finds that there were no 13 different days, each day being in a different week within the preceding calendar year, within which such employing unit employed eight or more individuals in employment subject to this act."

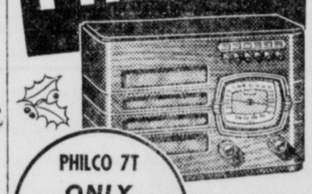
"If no application for termination of coverage is filed with the commission before Jan. 5, the employer remains liable for contributions of another calendar year, regardless of the number of employees," Mr. Waltner said.

W. B. A. PARTY

A Christmas party was given for 20 children Monday night at Odd Fellows' Hall, by the local review of the W. B. A. A dinner consisting of chicken salad sandwiches, potato chips, sweet pickles, hot cocoa, ice cream and cake, was served before the party. Games were played, and carols were sung by the children, and each child received a gift of candy.

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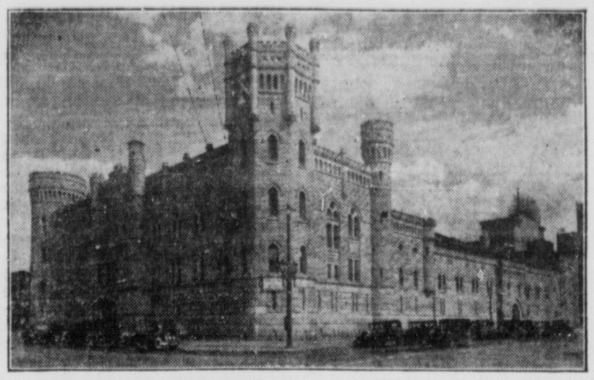
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Youth Activities at Seventh World's Poultry Congress



Youth will have its share in the Seventh World's Poultry Congress and Exposition to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, July 28 to August 7, 1939. The Hall of Youth, pictured above, has been set aside for the young people. Elaborate programs are being arranged to fill every hour of the day, every day. There will be educational meetings, entertainment, poultry judging and poultry demonstrations, recreational periods, and supervised visits to various sections of the huge exposition—the aim being to give future poultrymen an invaluable perspective of the possibilities the poultry industry holds.

Active plans are under way for attendance of groups representing 4-H Clubs, Future Farmers of America, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and many other youth organizations from all sections of this country. It is also probable that young people's delegations representing many of our overseas neighbors will take an active part in the youth program at the Congress.

TRAILERS MUST HAVE SERIAL NUMBERS

Owners of home-made trailers and semi-trailer s must secure serial numbers before trailer licenses can be issued to them, according to O. M. Arthur, local license dealer. All having trailers which have not received serial numbers are urged to come to his office before the first of the year and file for the serial numbers in order that there will be no delay in securing their license tags. A law requires that the serial numbers be registered in Jefferson City before the license can be issued. It is understood the State Highway Patrol will be active in checking unregistered trailers.

COPY OF ORAN H. S. NEWSPAPER RECEIVED

The Standard has received a 22-page edition of the Oran Eagle, edited by the students of the Oran High School. It is a Christmas edition, handsomely done in green and red mimeograph ink, containing many illustrations and all types of news, features and ads. It is edited monthly by Kenneth Brockett, assisted by Edith Rainey, Alma Marcer, Maxilean Graviett, Freda Patterson and Betty Barnes. Miss Ina Foster is the faculty adviser.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Knepper, Mr. and Mrs. Palm and Mrs. Vernon Green and baby left Thursday to spend the holidays in Maryville, Mo.

CORRINE FEATHERSONE WEDS DEXTER MAN

The marriage of Miss Corrine Weathersone of this city, daughter of Mrs. Webb I. Feathersone and the late Mr. Feathersone of Clinton, Mo., and Truman Bennett of Dexter, was solemnized at 3:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon in the First Baptist Church at Charleston, by the Rev. A. B. Cooper, pastor of the church. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gurley of Sikeston attended the couple.

The bride is employed at the International Shoe Factory here. The groom, a son of Mrs. Fannie Bennett of Dexter, is connected with the Kroger Company there. After the first of January the young couple will be at home in an apartment in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Langley.

BIBLE STUDY CLASS HAS LUNCHEON

The Bible Study Class had a covered dish luncheon and all day meeting Tuesday at the home of Mrs. W. H. Keasler. A program and Christmas party was enjoyed in the afternoon and gifts were exchanged by the members. An exhibit of old possessions resulted in Mrs. Harvey Morrison winning the award with a picture of her grandfather that is about one hundred years old.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben F. Marshall and sons of Blodgett, will go to St. Louis Saturday to visit Mrs. Marshall's relatives over the holidays.



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Norris Opposes War Agreement

Washington, Dec. 19.—Senator Norris (Ind.), Nebraska, an administration supporter, said today he would oppose entry of the United States into any agreement that would bind this country irrevocably to go to war in defense of any South American country.

Commenting o n discussion at the Lima, Peru, conference of a proposed pact for mutual defense of Western Hemisphere nations against outside aggression, Norris said he favored co-operation with South American nations "in every way that would be beneficial both to them and to us."

"But I am opposed to lending them any money to prepare for war and I am opposed to any agreement that would bind us to go into war to carry out such an agreement.

"I would not want to bind my country in advance to stand by any other country no matter what that other country did. There might be occasions when we would be willing to fight for South America and there might be occasion when we would not."

Senator Nye (Rep.), North Dakota, observing that there was little doubt in his mind that the Unted States would fight to preserve the Monroe doctrine, declared there was "a lot of unnecessary barking" about the possibility of a violation of that doctrine.

"If we consider Japan, Germany and Italy as possible aggressor nations," Nye said, "we have nothing to worry about for the next 100 years. If the prevailing leaderships in those countries could last that long, they would still have their hands full with problems in their own spheres."

Nye praised the speech of Alfred M. Landon, member of the United States delegation to Lima and Republican presidential nominee in 1936, as "timely and in thorough keeping with the spirit of the great bulk of the American people."

In a speech that was broadcast from Lima, Landon asserted that, regardless of election results, the United States would not tolerate any foreign government gaining a foothold on the North or South American Continent.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rodman are expected Friday night from their home in Jefferson City, to spend the holidays with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kendall and family.

Mrs. Stella Moll will visit a sister in Eldorado, Ill., during the holidays.

Miss Toots Woods went to Columbia, Mo., Monday to visit during the holidays.

G. C. Baker Jr., Charles Tanner, Miss Betty Belle Donnell, Bill Donnell and Charles McMullin, students at the Missouri University in Columbia, have arrived home to spend the holidays with relatives.



JAMES E. RICE
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CAFE TO BE CLOSED ON CHRISTMAS DAY

"Ichy's" Cafe will be closed on Christmas Day (Sunday) so that the management and employes may enjoy Christmas at home.

Miss Kathleen Welch of Memphis, Tenn. will visit her mother, Mrs. Lena Welch, and aunt, Mrs. Jos. W. Myers, over the week end.

Fred Chaney of the National Butane Gas Corp. will leave this Friday to visit relatives in Kansas City.



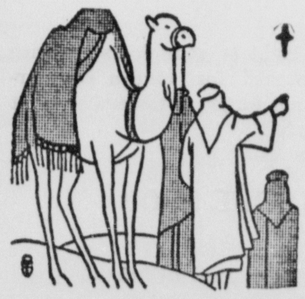
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First Lady Defends Family Engaging In Business

Washington, Dec. 20. — Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt vigorously asserted Monday the right of a president's wife and children to live their own private lives. Discussing at her press conference her own acceptance of a place on an insurance company's board of directors, Mrs. Roosevelt put the question up to the people of the United States.

Do they want the children of a president to be the type who do not want to earn their own living? she asked.

And does the nation want a president's wife to give up all of the interests she has built up?

Mrs. Roosevelt said she often had wondered whether the people of the country realized that a president's family must go on with their normal lives while he is in the White House.

Her argument ran as follows: The people elect a man as president. They don't give any of the others in the family a job. Sometimes, especially in the case of young people, a president is in the White House long enough for a complete restriction on their individual lives. And they only have a limited period to build those lives.

Mrs. Roosevelt pointed out that such a policy in her own case would have meant giving up a great many interests and changing her whole relation to her family.

She told her press conference she would accept a directorship in Roosevelt and Sargent, Boston insurance firm founded by her son, James, merely to act as James' representative. Before agreeing to do so, she said, she asked if any financial obligation would be incurred, or if any real knowledge of the business was necessary. Informed that it was not, she agreed to serve in James' place and to vote his stock as he suggests.



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FOR RENT—Apartment, 2 rooms and kitchenette. Adults only. Phone 204. tf-25

FOR RENT—Modern 5-room brick house, 331 Scott St., Available Dec. 21. Inquire 302 S. Stoddard. tf-19

FOR RENT—New 4-room house. Lights, water, bath. Phone 719. 1t-27p

WANTED—Clean rags. Stockings and overalls not acceptable. See Standard Office. 1t-26

FOR RENT—1 large unfurnished room. Roscoe Killian, 210 Trotter. 1t-27p

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FOR SALE — Good dry wood, available anytime at Salcedo Store. Phone 3114. 5t-24p

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FOR SALE—Several farms, 5 to 33 acres. Small down payment. Geo. Ederer, Doniphan, Mo., Phone 36F8. 2t-26p

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Miss Anna Lou Gipson of Jonesboro, Ark. is expected to spend the holidays as the guest of Miss Joy Mae Edwards.

Mrs. H. L. Harty and Miss Eleanor Harty drove to St. Louis Thursday to meet Harry Harty Jr., who arrived from Annapolis, Md. to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hazel and little daughter, Fairy Ann, will spend Christmas Day with Mrs. Hazel's family in Kennett.

Mrs. George Fowler will entertain a group of children at her home Thursday afternoon, in honor of the 7th birth anniversary of her daughter, Lorene.

Mrs. Ben F. Marshall Jr. of Blodgett, Mrs. Gordon Stroud, Mrs. W. Frewerd and Mrs. Wm. Northington, spent Monday in Cape Girardeau.

Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Watkins, daughter, Mary Ruth, and son Nat arrived Thursday evening from Cassville to spend the Christmas vacation with Mrs. Watkins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Blanton Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Lair will have a family dinner at their home Christmas Day with the following members of the family present, Mrs. Julia Rowe, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lair Jr. and son, David, of Charleston, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Salmon and daughter, Louie, of Kennett, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Mattingly and daughter, Frances, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Lair and Jack Lair.

Dr. T. L. Chidester will leave Saturday for Camden, Ark. to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Chidester, for a week.

Miss Clara Trousdale will come from Jefferson City this week end to spent Christmas Day with her mother, Mrs. J. R. Trousdale.

Mrs. Lacy Allard went to Poplar Bluff Thursday to visit her parents until Saturday. She will attend a party Friday night at the home ofMiss Geraldine Mengel.

Bert Moore was host to 45 friends at a dance Thursday night in the Armory. Christmas colors were used in the decorations and in the refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Deneke and children will spend Sunday in Cape Girardeau with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dill and the former's father, Judge W. H. Carter, of Carbondale, Ill. will spend Christmas Day with the latter's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Welter. Other guests will be Mr. and Mrs. Merle Evans and children and Mrs. L. D. Randol.

Mrs. Carrie Fisher and daughter, Miss Margaret Louise, and Mrs. Margaret Ashley, of Cape Girardeau, will spend Christmas as guests of Mrs. Fisher's sister, Mrs. Johnson and family .

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Soloman and daughter, Mrs. Ruby Newsum will have as guests Christmas Eve, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Erwin and son, Harry, of Kennett, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Blair and sons, Tommy and Jimmy, of Union City, Tenn., Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pitman and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pitman of Crowder. The family group will eat Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pitman at their apartment on North Kingshighway.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hawley and J. R. Hawley of Cape Girardeau and Eugene Hawley of Indianapolis, Ind. were dinner guests Wednesday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Deneke.

Miss Venita Edwards of Jefferson City and Miss Virginia Edwards of Detroit, Mich, will arrive this week end to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Edwards in Morehouse, and Brother, Jno. O. Edwards in Sikeston.

Bigger Bakings Save Time



THE busy homemaker, more rushed than ever at this season of the year, has learned how to budget her time like the business woman. With a modern gas range as her cooking ally, she prepares plenty of food for tomorrow while cooking dinner.

Why don't you too try baking a hot meat pie with biscuits as part of tonight's dinner, with meat loaf and nut bread as the main support for another day? Bigger bakings save effort, time, and fuel, and give you peace of mind.



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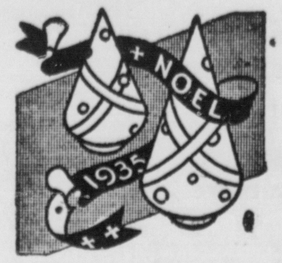


People have been saying "Merry Christmas" for a long, long time . . . and we'd like to extend you the season's greetings in some other way. But, really, nothing expresses what we want to say quite as well as a good, old-fashioned MERRY CHRISTMAS . . . and the best of luck for the new year!

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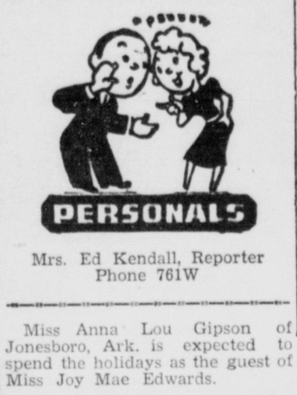
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Friday Dec. 23

Four Cage Teams to Play Here

"Informal" Tourney Dec. 28-29; Kewanee, Cape Preps, Fruitland Coming

A basketball get-together of four outstanding high school teams in this section, Sikeston playing the host, will be staged here in the High School gymnasium on Wednesday and Thursday nights, Dec. 28 and 29.

The teams to play will be College High of Cape Girardeau, Kewanee High, Fruitland High and the Sikeston quintet.

PERMISSION SECURED

Principal William E. Mahew and Coach Vernon Green had been negotiating for several weeks for some kind of a basketball meeting between four outstanding schools in this section. Word was received Tuesday from Carl Burris, secretary of the Missouri State High School Athletic Association at St. Louis, that the board of control had granted permission for the play here.

It will be an "informal tournament", or get-together, because an official tournament could not be granted. Nevertheless, it will have all the aspects of a full-fledged tourney. There will be two games each evening. Play will be as follows the first night:

OPENING PAIRINGS

Kewanee vs. Fruitland.
Sikeston vs. Cape Preps.

On the second evening, Thursday, the winner of the first game will play winner of the second game, and the losers of the two Wednesday games will meet in the other Thursday game.

Games will begin at 7:30 p. m. Admission will be 25 cents. Tharon Stallings and Mr. Mahew will referee.

The basketball show will bring to Sikeston teams that last year went afar. Sikeston and the Preps were district tourney winners and the latter team was state championship runnerup.

Kewanee dropped a hot game to the Sikestonians last season for the district title. Fruitland always puts out a first rate basketball team and twice has been state champ. Kewanee and the Preps are undefeated this year.

Kewanee Five Coming

Lynn Twitty's Team, Here Friday, Winner Of Four Straight

The team that bids fair to become Sikeston's strongest basketball rival, Kewanee, will come here for a game Friday night, Dec. 23, for a game with Coach Vernon Green's Bulldogs.

Undefeated in four games this season, Kewanee is stacking up as another powerful contender for the district tournament honors.

In the regional tourney here last spring, Sikeston wound up three points ahead of the rivals from down the highway. Once before, in a regional tourney, the Bulldogs pulled ahead of Kewanee for the district title.

A good portion of Coach Lynn Twitty's aggregation of last season is still with the squad. The team has won four straight this season.

Play will begin at 7:30 p. m.

Herb Moore of Poplar Bluff will referee.

Alumni Conquer Bulldogs

Old Grads Winners In Annual Cage Bout By 42-10 Count

The old grads are still young in spirit—basketball spirit—for they lit on the Bulldog regulars Tuesday night at the High School gymnasium and handed the team a 42-10 set back.

For two quarters the High School quintet held the Alumni down, in the first and third, allowing them 10 points in these two periods while the Red and Black gained six, but in the other stanzas the ex-Bulldogs, who seemed to have lost none of their stamina, climbed aboard a scoring special.

TWO FULL TEAMS

Two Alumni teams took the floor. The starting team was Ray Bandy and Red Davis at forward, Clyde Long at center, and Fonnie Swaim and Sheik Jones at guard. This crew went out at the end of the first period and remained idle until the start of the last quarter. The other team consisted of Paul Holmes and Tommy Marshall at forward, Gus Zacher at center, and Bill Ellis and Marvin Rayburn at guard.

The immature Bulldogs were no match for two full teams of experts. Lumsden dropped in two baskets to lead the High School scorers. Rayburn, with three field goals and a free toss, led the Alumni. Scoring by the winners was well-divided.

At the first official rest the grads led, 6-4, and in the second period chalked up 12 points while the Bulldogs failed to crack the hoop, leading 18-4, at the intermission. At the three-way mark it was 22-6. The Alumni scored 20 points the final quarter.

BOX SCORE

High School	FG	FT	PF	TP
Aldridge, f.	0	0	4	0
Lumsden, f.	2	0	0	4
Montgomery, f.	0	0	1	0
Tackett, f.	1	0	0	2
Simmons, f.	0	1	0	1
Lumsden, c.	0	0	0	0
Diehl, c.	0	0	0	0
Swacker, c.	0	0	0	0
Lambert, g.	0	0	4	0
Rafferty, g.	0	0	1	0
Davis, g.	1	0	3	2
Bowman, g.	0	1	0	1
	4	2	13	10

Aumni	FG	FT	PF	TP
Davis, f.	2	1	1	5
Holmes, f.	2	1	3	5
Bandy, f.	3	0	2	6
Marshall, f.	0	0	0	0
Long, c.	3	0	0	6
Zacher, c.	0	0	1	0
Jones, g.	2	0	2	4
Ellis, g.	2	0	0	4
Swaim, g.	2	1	0	5
Rayburn, g.	3	1	2	7
	19	4	11	42

Referee—Raymond Palm.

Basketball Scores

East Prairie 13, Matthews 11.
Diehlstadt 20, Fornfelt 14.
Benton 33, Oran 14.

TO MEMPHIS HOSPITAL

Curtis Westcoat of Kewanee was taken late Wednesday in the Albritton ambulance to the Baptist Hospital, Memphis, for about two weeks medical treatment.

Mrs. R. L. Proffer entertained Monday evening at their home with a surprise birthday party for her husband. Twenty guests were present. Decorations and refreshments were carried out with the Christmas theme.

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10:00 'til 2:00

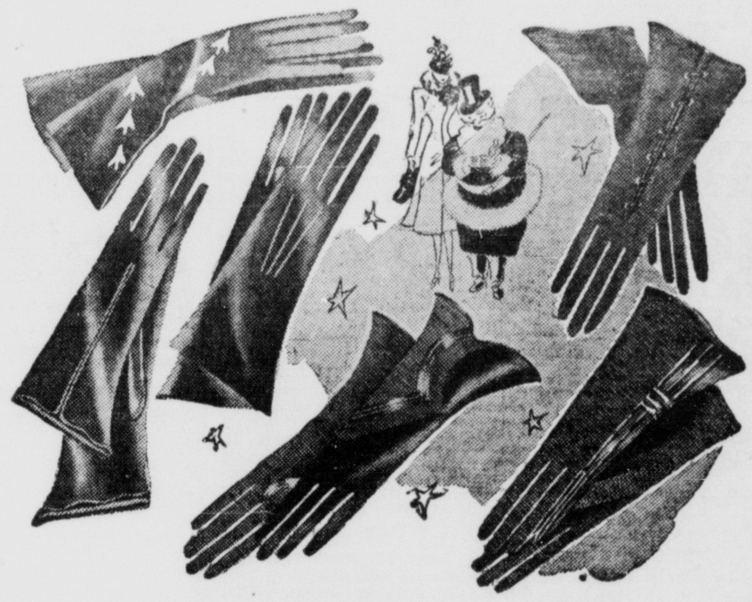
Tuesday, December 27
Carl Deacon Moore and His Orchestra
Featuring Miss Marge Hudson, Radio's Bluebird
Admission $3.00, Stag or Drag, Dancing
10:00 'til 2:00

New Year's Eve, Saturday, December 31
Vernon Peak and His Orchestra
Admission $2.00, Stag or Drag.
Dancing 10:00 'til 2:00
Free Novelties

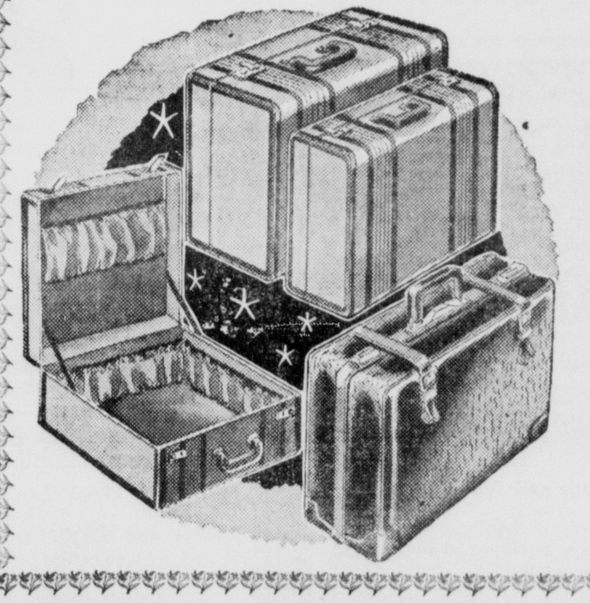
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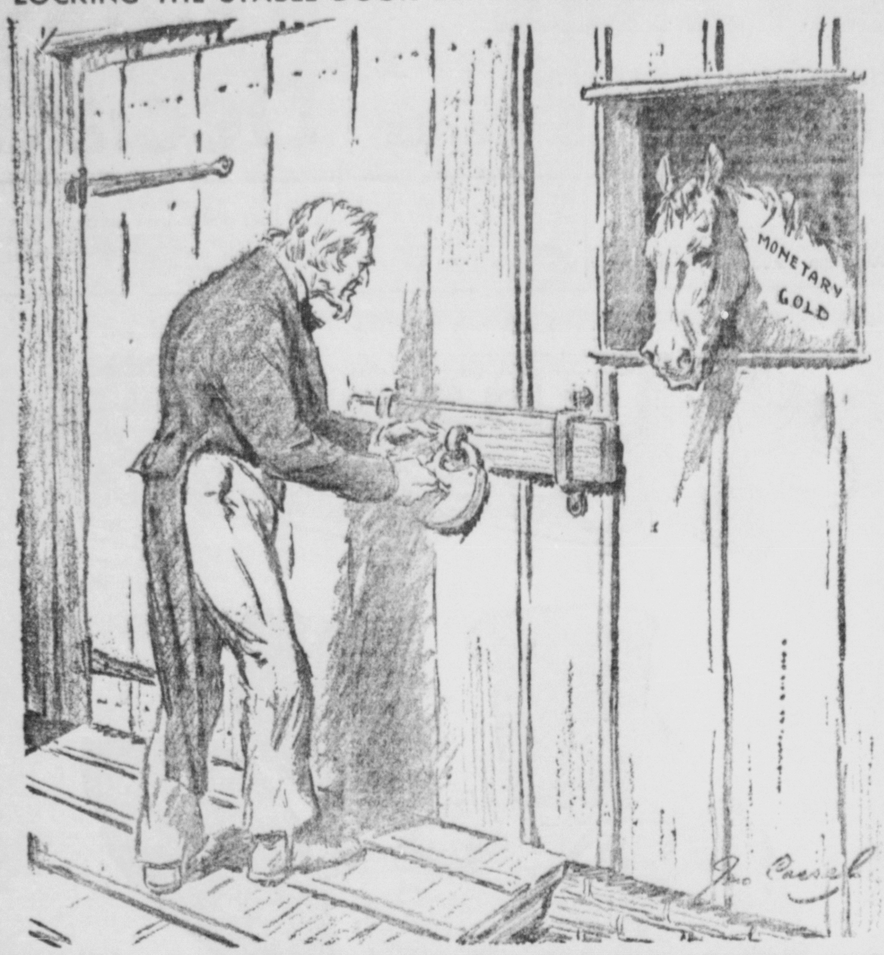
Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 28-29

SCHEDULE

Wednesday, Dec. 28
SIKESTON vs. CAPE PREPS
KEWANEE vs. FRUITLAND
Begins 7:30 p. m. each night

Thursday, Dec. 29
Winners each game Wednesday play.
Losers of each game Wednesday play.
Admission 25 cents

LOCKING THE STABLE DOOR *BEFORE* THE HORSE IS STOLEN



Sikeston Personal News

Mrs. Ed Kendall, Reporter.—Phone 761W

Mr. and Mrs. Tillman Anderson of Cape Girardeau and Miss Virginia Anderson of Laurel, Miss. were dinner guests Wednesday evening, of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Anderson.

Leo A. Smith is spending this week in St. Louis. Mrs. Smith and their son, Richard, will join him Saturday and go to East St. Louis to spend Christmas with Mr. Smith's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. William DeKriek and Mrs. Barney Wagner expect to visit relatives in Fredericktown over Christmas.

Mrs. Robt. H. Mow and infant son, Robert Henry Jr. returned to their home here Tuesday evening from Southeast Missouri Hospital in Cape Girardeau where they had been since the birth of the child on December 10. Mr. Mow drove to Cape Girardeau and accompanied his family home.

Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Presnell will have as dinner guests Christmas Day, the latter's daughter, Miss Mary Purcell, and Milton Koster of St. Louis, and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Alexander of Tiptonville, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Schmidt will spend Christmas Day in Cape Girardeau with the latter's mother, Mrs. Mary Ristig.

Roland Reed, a member of the Army Air Corps at Rantoul Field near Champaign, Ill., is expected to arrive Saturday to spend the holidays with his parents, Sgt. and Mrs. Rufus Reed.

The following students at Central College, Fayette, Mo., have arrived in Sikeston to spend the holidays with their families: Miss Dorothy Smith, Misses Lois and Lucille Hahs, Marvin Rayburn, Joe Dover, Clarence Felker Jr. Bill Van Horne and Byron Smith.

Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Reuber expect to have as their gessts for Christmas, the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Malin, and sister, Miss Aline Malin.

Mrs. Betty Matthews visited in the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. C. Corrigan, in Poplar Bluff Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Robinson of Kennett will be dinner guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Robinson, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pleas Malcolm and little daughter, Marjane, will go to Gideon Saturday night to spend Christmas in the home of Mrs. Malcolm's parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Sharp.

Mrs. Jimmy Harris of St. Louis came Sunday night to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Smith, the former of whom has been ill for several weeks. Mrs. Harris plans to return to St. Louis the latter part of the week, accompanied by her parents, who will spend several weeks there.

Dinner guests on Christmas Day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Montgomery will include Mr. and Mrs. Creal Black, Miss Millie Dickerson, of Bernie, Mrs. William Black and sons of Morley.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dye, Mr. and Mrs. Gen Potashnick and children will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Dye in Benton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Cunningham of Desloge and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dover will visit Mr. and Mrs. Woolard Baker and children in Memphis, Tenn., over Christmas.

Mrs. H. C. Young and son, Dick, J. A. Young and Mrs. Johnny Wilson, drove to St. Louis Wednesday and met Harry Young, Jr., who made the trip from Blackstone, Va., by airplane, and accompanied the party home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. T. Durbin of Evansville, Ind., left Wednesday for St. Louis after visiting for several days with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Corrigan. Mrs. Corrigan accompanied her guests to St. Louis and will visit her aunt, Miss Nellie Sullivan, until after Christmas. Mr. Corrigan will join her Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Ausmus and children of Vandalia, Mo., are expected to spend the week end here with Mrs. Ausmus' parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Beck.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Vowels, their daughter, Miss Frances, and son, Harry Lee, of Shreveport, La., are expected to arrive Christmas morning to visit the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Vowels.

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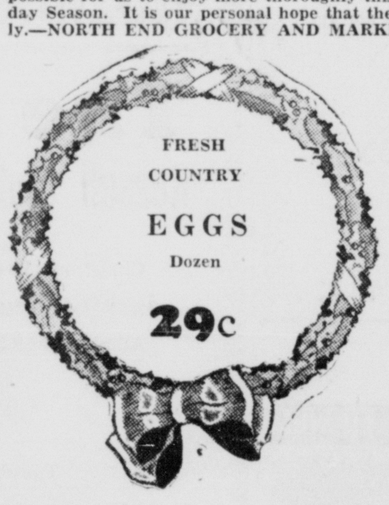
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December 1938.

Dear Customer: As we approach the Holiday Season and come to the end of an active year, our thoughts turn to those who have traveled the road with us—"Our Customers." Appreciating the good friendship and excellent co-operation that you have given us throughout the year, this seems to be an opportune time to say "Thank You." We want you to regard this little message as a personal acknowledgment of your co-operation, your loyal, helpful spirit. It is this friendship and loyalty that has made it possible for us to enjoy more thoroughly this wonderful Christmas Season. Thank you sincerely and may you have a joyful Holiday Season. It is our personal hope that the New Year will bring you a full measure of health, happiness, and prosperity. Sincerely.—NORTH END GROCERY AND MARKET, Russell Walker, Lige Inman, John Halter, Irene Walker, Chas. Miller.



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Geese, 10 lbs. and over, lb.—19c

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Standards, Pint 29c, Quart—55c
Selects, Pint 35c, Quart—69c
Cove Oysters, can—10c

Pure Country Pork Sausage, lb.—25c

Spam, the new Harmel all-purpose, meat, 12-oz. can—28c

Fancy Sugar Cured Bacon, ½ or whole, lb.—22c

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Coffee—Reg. cut or drip.

Maxwell House, lb.—25c
Golden Drip, lb.—27c
Folger's, lb.—27c
Radio Peas, No. 2 can—12c
Fox Tiny Peas, No. 2 can—19c
Ray Crest Prunes, in heavy syrup, No. 2½ can, 2 for—25c
Rich Whipping Cream, Pt.—25c

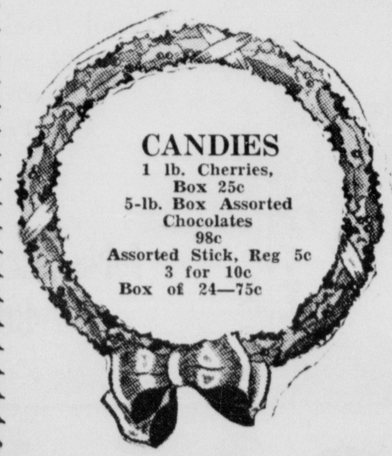
Dates, 2 lb. Pkg.—25c

Heinz Mincemeat, 16-oz. can—23c



FANCY CELERY
Large stalk 9c
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Pound 25c
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Mrs. Leroy Leslie entertained the following guests at dinner last Friday in honor of the 85th birth anniversary of her mother, Mrs. Mollie Thompson: Mr. and Mrs. Claude Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Marshall, Mrs. Julian Thompson, Mrs. R. G. Wagner, of Charleston, and Mr. and Mrs. Hartwell Thompson of Dexter.

Just received new "Carole King" Dresses. The People's Store.

Miss Betty Lou Pearce and Glenn Stoner of Springfield, Mo. were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Kirk, Sunday and Monday.

See the new Early Spring "Carole King" Dresses. The People's Store.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Foster and son will visit relatives in Pocahontas, Ark. Sunday and Monday.

Sam Bowman Jr. will arrive from Chicago Saturday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bowman, and his son, Sammy III, during the holidays.

The lovely new "Carole King" Dresses now being shown at The People's Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Van Horne, daughter, Miss Alice, and son Bill, expect to spend Christmas Day in Mexico, Mo. in the home of the former's father, L. C. Van Horne.

Mrs. Anna Winchester left Thursday to spend the Christmas holidays with her daughter, Mrs. John Stokes and family in Mayfield, Ky.

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Mr. and Mrs. Abe Davis will be dinner guests Sunday in the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Davis.

Mrs. Lizzie Ferrell leaves today for St. Louis to visit her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Johnson, for several days.

Mrs. Kate Greer left Saturday for Los Angeles, Calif. in response to a message that her brother-in-law, Robert Daniels was seriously ill.

Mrs. Fern Bowman will entertain her card club with a Christmas party in her home Thursday night.

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Mrs. Emma Crowell will go to Blytheville, Ark. Friday to visit her brother, G. B. Ritch and family.

Bill Werneck expects to spend the week end in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. V. S. Harshbarger will visit their parents in Paris, Mo. until Tuesday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Barney Forrester and children, G. J. Layton, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Finley and family, of this city and Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Beobout of Bertrand, will spend Christmas Day as guests of Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Layton in Oran.

Just received new "Carole King" Dresses. The People's Store.

Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Kendig had as week end guests, the former's mother, Mrs. J. C. B. Davis of Willow Springs, Mo., and brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Weatherly of Denver, Colo.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Francis of Fredericktown will spend Sunday and Monday in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Francis and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Carroll.

The lovely new "Carole King" Dresses now being shown at The People's Store.

Miss Agnes Hallvax and Jim Hatfield of St. Louis will be guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Hatfield, from Saturday night until Monday night.

Mrs. Mildred Thower and little son, and Mrs. Luke Baker were in Cape Girardeau, Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Ensor and two children leave Friday morning for Tullahoma, Tenn. to spend Christmas with the former's parents, Rev. and Mrs. Jno. O. Ensor.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Harwell and the latter's mother, Mrs. R. M. Bugg of West Plains, will be dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Harwell in Poplar Bluff, Christmas Day.

Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Kendig and sons will be guests of Dr. Kendig's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Snider in St. Louis, Christmas.

OUT WEST WITH THE HARDYS

Adapted from the METRO-GOLDWYN-MAYER Picture by GERTRUDE GELBIN



"I'm too tired for problem children!"

Everything is at sixes and sevens in the Hardy household! Mrs. Hardy (Fay Holden) is worn to a frazzle by her Spring house-cleaning. Marion (Cecilia Parker) broods over a new quarrel with Dennis (Don Castle). Andy (Mickey Rooney) has become insufferable since winning his basket-ball letter at Carvel High School. He thinks he's the hero of the century.



"Yah! What's one girl to a bachelor?"

Nobody can stand Andy! He struts and shouts and covers himself with glory at every turn! It's much too much for Polly (Ann Rutherford). The day they go swimming, things reach such a pass that she tells him they're through. Andy answers: "What's one girl to a bachelor that has a tuxedo and a car?"



"The letter is from Dora Northcote."

The Judge (Lewis Stone) has his own troubles. He has received a letter from Dora Northcote (Nana Bryant) his boyhood sweetheart, urging him to help in settling water rights on her husband's ranch. He wants to help his old friend, but he hesitates because he fears Mrs. Hardy still regards Dora as a rival.



"The ranch would do us all good!"

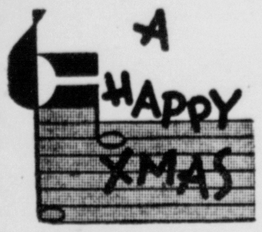
When the Judge returns home to dinner he finds his house in an uproar. Mother is so frayed she can only scold and weep. Marion sulks. Andy is a torment to everyone. The Judge decides then and there that they all need a change. He announces they are leaving next day for the Northcote Ranch in the West. *Read the next chapter.*

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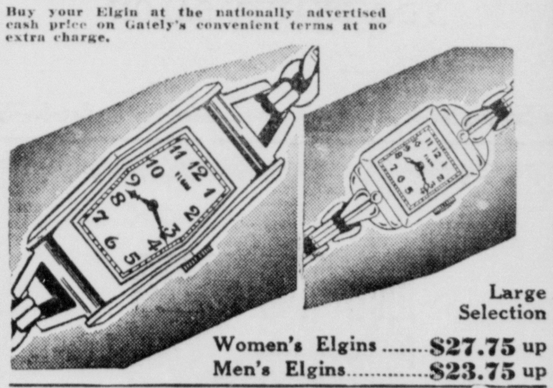
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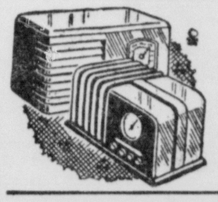
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PERSONAL

Mrs. Georgia Donnell and brother, Don Renner, drove to Mt. Ayr, Ia., Tuesday, and accompanied their brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Renner and two children to Sikeston to spend the holidays. They were also accompanied home by their neice, Miss Helen Hutchings of Jackettstown, N. J. who met them in St. Louis. Her mother, Mrs. Mayme Hutchings of St. Louis will come to Sikeston Wednesday to visit the family.

Pan Cake Feed, all day Saturday, Dec. 24, Marshall Hotel dining room. Benefit Underprivileged Children's Fund. Sponsored by Kiwanis Club of Sikeston. Price 25c.

Dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Schwieter, Christmas Day, will be, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cole and John Allen Cole, of Memphis, Tenn., Mrs. John Cole and daughters, Misses Alma Lou, Lois and Marian Elizabeth, of Jonesboro, Ark.

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Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Dill of Carbondale, Ill. will spend Christmas Day with the former's mother, Mrs. A. B. Dill and sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Shuppert.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Renner and son, Ed Dan, will spend Christmas Eve and Sunday in New Madrid with Mrs. Renner's mother, Mrs. E. A. Loud and family.

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Mr. and Mrs. James Hazel were in Evansville, Ind. Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Taylor and children will go to Jackson this week end to spend the holidays with relatives.

Mrs. Julia Rowe of Charleston spent Thursday with her daughter, Mrs. F. D. Lair.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Lathom will have as dinner guests Christmas Day, the latter's sisters, Miss Ruth Kincy of Dexter, Mo., and Miss Al Kincy of Blytheville, Ark., and Miss Elizabeth Bowman of Dexter.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pratt will entertain the following guests at dinner Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Sitzes and son of Cape Girardeau, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Morgan of Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Seabaugh and Miss Audra Dorrough.

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Miss Myra Tanner will leave Saturday to accompany Mrs. Harold Hebbler to Ellsberry, Mo. to visit over Christmas Day with the latter's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Allison.

Miss Adilda McCord is leaving this Friday to visit cousins in St. Petersburg, and Palm Beach, Fla. during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Burl Heath and children will be guests of Mrs. Heath's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Fortner in Heber Springs, Mo. Christmas Day and until, Wednesday.

Billy Swacker will be host at a dance Tuesday evening at his home on Park Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Golladay and son, Billie, and Sonny Waggener spent Friday in Memphis.

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With the closing of the University of Illinois Friday for the Christmas holidays, Miss Evelyn Allard is expected home from Urbana, where she is a student at the school.

Count Is Ruled Out

Von Bromberg Rougher Than Wild Bill Rush; Indian Beats Hill

When a man can out-foul Wild Bill Rush and get disqualified for doing so he's got to be an A-1 fouler.

That's what Count Von Bromberg was Wednesday night at the armory. It was naturally supposed Rush would play his usual game of roughing it up. He did, but the count made Bill look like a gentleman.

Each man had won a fall when the count was ruled out. The first fall went to the Tennessee man with a front crotch and body slam. It was exceptionally rough, both men slugging and using every known hold.

The German nobleman came back in 12 minutes with a flying tackle and body pin to flatten Rush. The slugging, choking and body flops continued unabated.

Rush got a bad start in the deciding fall, Von Bromberg using arm locks and body scissors. When Wild Bill began to retaliate, the count began a session of choking and slugging that got him disqualified, and the winner was not decided after all.

Benny Bolt took two straight from Henry Hill, of South Carolina. This was a fast and loose battle, full of flying tackles and other aerial tricks. The Sioux Indian annexed the first fall in 13 minutes with a combination stomp and hammerlock. The second came in 11 minutes with a turn-over body pin.

WILL HARRISON HAS TWO STROKES

Will Harrison, elderly local man, was found on the sidewalk on Malone Avenue early Thursday morning across from the Missouri Pacific depot, suffering from a paralytic stroke. Passersby who found him notified police and Patrolman Walter Hughes, with the aid of others, got him into a car and took him to the police office, where he suffered another stroke. He was taken in the Dempster ambulance to St. Francis Hospital, unconscious, and his condition was thought to be serious. In the fall on the sidewalk, he suffered a deep gash in the head.

BACK FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. Earl McCoy, 208 Cresap, was brought in the Ellis ambulance to her home Thursday morning from St. Francis Hospital. She underwent a major operation and is recovering.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AT HIGH SCHOOL

The High School closed Wednesday afternoon for the Christmas vacation with a program and candle lighting in the auditorium. R. D. Sorrells, music director, sang a solo, and student groups also sang. Juniors and seniors marched forward with candles in the lighting program. Seniors lit their candle from a big candle, and in turn passed the light on to the juniors. They put their candles in a board to form a star and a big "S". Class president, Harold Swannagon, senior, and Billy Golladay, junior, gave talks.

RED PEPPERS HOLD "LEAP YEAR" DANCE

The Red Peppers, girls' cheer organization at the High School, held a dance Wednesday night in which the girls took the initative, did the inviting of the boys and did the tagging on the floor. The swing was held in the gymnasium to music of a nickel machine.

REFUGEE BRIDES IN DEMAND SAYS MARRIAGE BROKER

New York, Dec. 21.—A Jewish marriage broker says refugee girls from Germany are in bigger demand in the matrimony market now than Americans.

"American girls always are looking for something better," Rabbi Nathan Wolf told a convention of the Marriage Brokers' Association of the United States yesterday. "But for the refugee girls, anything is better."

HARWELL BUYS HOME APPLIANCE CO. AGENCY

J. R. Harwell, who operates the Harwell Auto Parts Co. at 102 North Kingshighway, has purchased the Home Appliance Co. from L. E. Webb, who occupied the same store place. The Home Appliance Co. sold Skelgas products, stoves, ranges and bottled gas. This line will be carried as part of the Harwell firm now.



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Owner H. & H. Grocery



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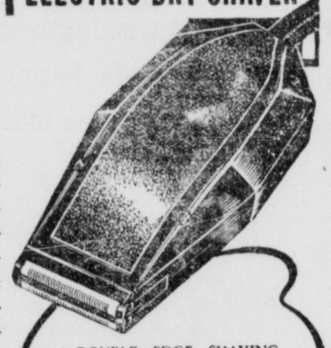
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Save money by paying your taxes before the last day of the present year.

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